

AN EDITORIAL

U. S. Jews Can and Must Take DPs Out of Israel Tents

ON April 9, the Jewish Agency, which is the official body providing for the flood of new immigrants to Israel had NO CASH ON HAND.

The Jewish Agency as of March 31, 1949 had an accumulated deficit totalling \$52,716,450.

In April, the Jewish Agency planned for an influx of some 14,000 immigrants. On April 11, this figure was reached and by April 16, with only half the month gone, the figure was already at 23,757.

You know about the austerity program the Israeli are about to adopt. You may not know about the income tax rates in Israel. There never was anything like them here, at any time, war or no war.

WHEN YOU ADD TO ALL THIS THE FACT THAT THE ISRAELI NEED GO THROUGH PRACTICALLY NONE OF THESE HARDSHIPS—OR AT LEAST COULD EASE THEM TO A GREAT EXTENT BY EITHER CLOSING THE GATES TEMPORARILY OR SETTING UP A QUOTA FOR JEWS—YOU'LL UNDERSTAND WHY THE PROBLEM IS YOURS AND NOT THAT OF THE IS.

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Urges Silver For WZO Head

Frisch Promises All-Out Effort As President for ZOA Harmony

National Jewish Post
GRAND RAPIDS, Mich.—Daniel Frisch, the administration-endorsed candidate for the presidency of the Zionist Organization of America, said this week that "there will be peace and there must be peace at the forthcoming convention and thereafter in the ranks of the General Zionists in America."

Specific efforts toward the first of these goals were scheduled to be completed this week in meetings between ZOA administration leaders and members of the opposition Committee for Progressive Zionism.

Frisch, making his first public address since his endorsement by the administration, told 150 delegates to the annual convention of the Michigan Zionist region that Dr. Abba Hillel Silver should be the next president of the World Zionist Organization.

Dr. Emanuel Neumann, outgoing ZOA president, announced appointment in New York of Jacques Torczyner, his right hand man, as chairman of the program committee for the 52nd annual ZOA convention in New York May 28-30.

Frisch, at a stopover in his home city of Indianapolis, reaffirmed his Grand Rapids stand for internal peace and unity in the world's largest Zionist body.

"I have hopes and reasons to believe that we will walk into the convention united and walk out united," the Hoosier ZOA vice president told The Post.

He promised an administration which would be a "synthesis of idealism and business management." He insisted he would do everything in his power to heal the bitter internal struggles that have marked the course of the

ZOA.

He also promised there would be no wholesale changes in the structure of the giant ZOA and said he would continue as president to be accessible to all who wished to see him on matters concerning the ZOA.

Asked specifically whether this applied to the Anglo Jewish press, which has not always found it easy to talk to top ZOA leaders, Frisch answered, "certainly."

Commenting on proposed plans of the anti-Zionist American Council for Judaism to fight "Jewish nationalism" at the local level through its chapters, Frisch said the ZOA must fight assimilationist efforts wherever they are found and that he intended to do all he could to make the ZOA a leader in that fight.

Hits Council Fight

"If Jewish continuity in the Diaspora should be limited to what they call religious Judaism," he said of the Council in his Grand Rapids talk, "it would spell extinction within a very short period of time. If the substitute for a survivalist ideology is religion as practiced by the members of the Council, Judaism would become extinct before very long."

Asserting that the ZOA represented and continues to repre-

ZOA Peace His Goal



DANIEL FRISCH
He'll Be Accessible

sent "the survivalist motif of Jewish existence," he said "any man or woman who asks the question, why a Zionist Organization of America today, assists—unwittingly to be sure but by indirection—such organizations and such people as are in the American Council for Judaism."

Morris N. Jacobs of Detroit was re-elected president of the Michigan ZOA region.

Building Resumed On Milion Center

National Jewish Post
MILTON, Mass.—Work was resumed here Tuesday on the Milton Hebrew Center, focus of a widespread debate when a permit was revoked by town officials on formal grounds that the proposed center was not in conformity with local zoning laws.

At a public hearing that followed the revocation, a large group of witnesses appeared to testify for the Center that the structure would be used for religious purposes in conformity with the zoning law.

Town officials, who had argued that the new center would be primarily for social and communal functions, were publicly charged with bias. Those testifying included a number of prominent Protestant ministers and a Catholic priest.

Doctor Samuel Sunshine told The Post it was hoped the building would be ready for High Holy Day Services in the fall.

Welfare Funds Withhold Payments To Agency To Speed Action On Plan For Communal Control

National Jewish Post
NEW YORK—A new departure for dealing with Jewish national organizations delaying proposals for more effective community control may be in the making in the report that several large Jewish communities have withheld final payment on allocations to a national Jewish service organization.

It was the first concerted move of its kind in the long struggle by Jewish communities to exercise some control over the independent Jewish national agencies.

The welfare funds which took the unprecedented action are participants in the Large City Budgeting Conference set up by the Council of

Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds in the long battle to end duplication and waste in U. S. Jewish communal life.

Baltimore withheld a payment of \$2,500 on its 1948 allocation of \$10,000. The Post learned, until the Baltimore Welfare Fund gets further information on progress in revision of the structure of the national agency concerned.

Philadelphia made one payment on its 1949 allocation but is holding up a second payment for the same reason.

Cleveland took similar action and Boston has asked for a progress report in connection with 1948 payments.

NCRAC Drops Allocations Scheme, Adopts Voluntary Clearance Plan

National Jewish Post

ATLANTIC CITY—The National Community Relations Advisory Council took a few halting steps this week to meet demands for an end to the slashing battles between U. S. Jewish civic defense agencies.

A plenary session of the NCRAC, set up to coordinate the activities of the virtually autonomous agencies, voted for a system of clearance of activities by the agencies but side-stepped the hot issue of allocation of functions.

Allocation of functions would have ended the present setup under which each agency, for example, has its own legal department, and provide that all work in a given area would be assigned to the agency best fitted to handle it.

The proposal has been vigorously backed by the American Jewish Congress and as vigorously opposed by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and the American Jewish committee, the three major organizations in the field.

Also represented at the plenary session here April 26 through May 1 were the Jewish Labor Committee, the Jewish War Veterans, the (Reform) Union of American Hebrew Congregations and representatives of 34 Jewish community relations councils.

In place of allocations, the plenary session proposed a system of division of responsibilities. This proposal was dependent first on agreement of the NCRAC executive committee on a specific activity, an agreement which could be blocked by any member agency.

David Petegorsky, national executive director of the Congress, repeated his widely-publicized charges that duplication of work in the civic defense field was costing American Jewry millions of dollars in wasted funds.

The NCRAC failed to take action on the issue when it first appeared on an executive committee agenda in March. The ADL and the AJCommittee filed formal complaints that Petegorsky had made his charges to embarrass their fund-raising through the Joint Defense Appeal. (NJP March 25). The JDA seeks \$6,800,000 this year.

That executive meeting debated the charges for several hours, then voted to place the matter before the Atlantic City plenary. No action was taken here.

The clearance proposal provided that the civic defense agencies should report to the NCRAC on all future projects, in writing. The NCRAC will thereupon notify the other agencies of the proposed activity.

In event of any doubt on the part of the agency as to whether it should report a new project, the agency is to ask the NCRAC for a ruling.

The proposal specifically provided that the act of an agency in being first in submitting a new project to the NCRAC would not stop other agencies from also undertaking a similar project.

No specific punitive action was considered against agencies which by-passed the NCRAC on the matter of clearance or against an agency which proposed an activity over objections of competing agencies. The history of clearance up to this point has been that it has been ignored as often as an agency cared to take this position.

As a mild step in the general direction of ending duplication, the plenary voted to have the executive committee study establishment of a reporting system so that member agencies could be informed of each other's projects.

The proposal for division of responsibilities provided for assignment to one or more of the agencies the job of implementing agreements on policy reached by the NCRAC executive committee.

Agencies getting such assignments, under the proposal, will perform it under supervision of the executive committee.

The plenary voted to name a committee to study the issue of allocation of functions and to report back to the next plenary.

The plenary also sought to get unified action on projects or activities by the separate agencies on major issues of policy. An example listed was the problem of American Jewish attitude toward the German fair exhibit, when the NCRAC protested in a statement that sought to make a distinction between rebuilding Germany and re-installing top Nazis in positions of control under U. S. military direction. (NJP, April 15).

The plenary voted to set up an agenda committee to decide what issues in this category will be placed before each meeting of the executive committee.

Once a decision is reached on such issues, steps are to be taken hereafter according to an agreement on voting which was adopted at the plenary.

Statements or public acts in the name of the NCRAC are to be issued only when there is unanimous agreement in any NCRAC executive committee or sub-committee on a given issue.

One form of light pressure against dissenters was worked out in a portion of the agreement on voting procedure covering cases where a majority of the member agencies agree on a policy.

Failure to get unanimous agreement opens the way for the majority to report to the members of the NCRAC with a statement as to the split of the members and the reasons for the split.

The voting procedure also implied that in basic splits involving a lone dissenter, the NCRAC may seek to apply pressure by publicizing the issues.

The procedure provided that any member agency which refuses to accept a majority decision and decides to follow a solo policy is to report to the NCRAC in advance of its taking action.

In such cases, the plenary agreed, the NCRAC will report to the Jewish community the facts in the dispute.

New York

U. S. JEWS AND NATIVE ISRAELI
GET ALONG FINE IN BUILDING STATE

By M. Z. FRANK

ON Wednesday morning, February 2, as I walked out of my hotel, I ran into Dave Macarov. We walked together and talked for a while. He asked me to come to the house in the evening, and see Frieda and their three-week-old sabra girl, which reminded me that I owe a similar visit to the Ettingers. It is good to see Americans producing sabras. But that is not the topic of my present article. I mean to talk of Americans tying up with sabras.

I had heard from Rachel Lev in New York and from Nat Cohen here that the Plugat Aliyah group was scheduled to leave their temporary place at Ginegar in the Emek and take up temporary quarters at Raanana before settling somewhere in the Negev or in the Western Galilee. They were joining a group of General Zionist sabras to form one kibbutz. Now Dave Macarov told me the group had already moved to Raanana.

I came to the Public Information Office, went up to Abe Herman, and told him I wanted to go Raanana to see the American boys and girls I had seen in Ginegar last May, the same boys and girls I once knew at Wappingers Falls, and earlier at Cream Ridge, before they had their own farm.

The art of Public Relations, under the Government of Israel, has improved tremendously since previously the Jewish authorities made it almost a virtue to treat it with disdain. Now I was promptly given a car, a liaison officer, and was driven to Raanana.

My liaison officer, who wore three stripes with olives on them, is a German Jew who traces his family back to the fourteenth century in Hamburg. His name is Kurt Robert Hamlet, and he speaks a fairly good Hebrew. Ben-Gurion once bawled him out for sticking to such a name, so he is considering a Hebraization to Yaakov Hadani, which means Jacob the Dane.

We called at the home of Mayor B. Ostrovsky, formerly of New York, but he was away in Tel Aviv. Mrs. Ostrovsky (formerly of New York, mind you) knew nothing of an American group of chalutzim in Raanana. She advised us to proceed to the City Hall and ask for "Katzin ha-ir" (town sheriff). We went there, but the iron door of the town mayor's office was locked: it was lunchtime. So we went up to the school which is right by the City Hall.

NOW I MUST LET YOU IN on a personal secret. I had another reason for going to Raanana, which did not justify any government expense. I wanted to see my friend Yehiel Michlin, a teacher whom I once knew in Montreal. When I was here in April, his elder daughter was an expectant mother who had lost her husband in one of the early battles in the war before May 15. Since Michlin did not answer my letter from New York, I was worried. By the time I got to the school, I already knew from Mrs. Ostrovsky that Esther was the mother of lousy twins. But I wanted to see Michlin anyway. Finally, I had the excuse. I knocked at the door of his classroom—and there he was. He sent one of his pupils along to take us to the house of the town mayor, and made me promise to come for lunch.

The name of the sheriff of this settlement of East European and American orchard growers is Julian Abraham. He speaks Hebrew with a German accent, but even the Litvacks of Raanana admit he is a good Jew. He directs us toward the place where the Yanks and the sabras took up temporary quarters at the outskirts of the town.

It had rained in Israel for days, and it was not easy to pass through the pools on the dirt road. "Botz" is the word for the deep mud in this country. As our driver stood hesitating, a bearded old man approached us and inquired in good Sephardic Hebrew: "are you folks studying the mud situation?" When we explained our purpose, he shouted at the driver in Yiddish (he had discovered the driver's Hebrew was faulty): "Go right through, you won't get drowned. Don't you know there's a war on?"

So we went right through, and there I was greeted by faces I had seen only recently in Ginegar and still more recently in New York and Poughkeepsie. There was Ruth Ludwin, who had just come the day before; there was Michel Ostroff and his wife; Irv Slott, Shoshana Ehrlich, who was the first American to greet me in Ginegar last May. It was good to see them. There are over 26 of them, and some in the army. They like their new companions, and have confidence in their own success. I left them to

Rabbis Worry Too Much About Friday Attendance,
Says Essrig; Test Should Be Quality, Not Quantity

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (NJP)—A mid-west rabbi suggested this week that a realistic approach to the problem of attendance at Friday night services would place emphasis on quality not quantity.

Rabbi Harry Essrig, spiritual leader of Temple Emanuel, argued in the current issue of the Temple bulletin that the rabbinate spent too much time worrying about attendance at services.

"In fact, the average rabbi is either very much disconcerted over the poor attendance at Sabbath services or tries every technique known to modern man to entice an unwilling public to the synagogue," he said.

He said there were two errors in such thinking. One was an assumption that people coming to the temple for a book review or a discussion of current political events were thereby fulfilling a religious duty.

The second error, he said, was forgetting that "the synagogue is more than just a house of prayer; it is a place for developing social relations as well as for becoming acquainted with our historic heritage."

If that analysis was a correct one, Rabbi Essrig said, "it is wrong to measure the health and vigor of a congregation by the number of people who come to worship on Friday nights."

He said that recreational and social affairs naturally attract the largest attendance but this should not cause a loss of perspective.

"A group of six women meeting once a week to study Hebrew is worth, in our scale of measurements, over 100 people gathering to hear a lecture on child behavior problems."

"An adult seminar in Jewish history which involves 15 or more couples is as important as a movie which attracts over 200 people. And that is the way life is."

He suggested that "we should not disdain appealing to the congregation and the community on a popular level but at the same time we should not be impressed by the sheer size of the audience."

He proposed that Friday night services be used primarily "as an occasion to continue our religious quest, our search for the right kind of spiritual outlook."

"By its very nature, such an approach will limit the kind of audience we attract," he said. "The emphasis should be on quality, not quantity."

Hearing Delayed
On CCNY Prof.

ALBANY, N. Y.—State Education Commissioner Francis T. Spaulding took under advisement this week a demand for a public hearing against Prof. William Knickerbocker of City College of New York on charges of anti-Semitism.

Spaulding heard counsel for the American Jewish Congress and other petitioners urge such a hearing "to satisfy public conscience" in the three-year fight against the head of the CCNY Romance Language department.

The petition was opposed by M. A. Castaldi, chief of the division of education of the New York City corporation counsel's office.

Castaldi contended that nothing was developed at the one-day informal hearing before Spaulding which had not been considered by the N. Y. Board of Education when it dismissed similar charges last September.

No mention was made in the statements to Spaulding of the recent strike by CCNY students in their latest bid to get Knickerbocker's ouster.

have lunch with the Michlins and then came back to chat with the Americans over tea and marmalade.

ON THE WAY BACK WE GAVE A LIFT to a sabra girl in army uniform. That is, she talks Hebrew like a sabra and belongs to the group, but she was born in Syria. She was just as enthusiastic about the Americans as the latter were about the sabras. This is not the only case of a successful teaming up of young Americans with young sabras. Only a few days earlier I was present at the inauguration ceremony of a new settlement in the Western Galilee on the Lebanese border where American chalutzim joined half of the settlement of Beth Ha-arava (The House in the Desert on the Dead Sea) now destroyed by the Arabs, to form a new kibbutz.

There were several foreign correspondents present. But only one of them, Alvin Rosenfeld of the New York POST, helped put up the "tzrifim" (bungalows). Gedalich Wiseman, son of my friend Shloimo Wiseman of Montreal, was busy working there, too. He is a member of the new Kibbutz, he and his wife, Esther. That evening after my visit to Raanana, I visited a house in Jaffa where Dave and Frieda Macro proudly showed me their three-week-old little sabra daughter. There were present a couple of the ace pilots of the Israeli army, some of whom are members of Plugat Aliyah, and waiting to join the settlement when the fighting is over and they get their discharge. One of them is a famous specialist on the Susquehanna Indians—he hails from western Pennsylvania.

"Tell the Jews of America to send us their young men and women to people the Negev," a high military commander in Beersheba told me two days later. "We need American Jews even more than we need their money."

"Americans?" I overheard a couple of soldiers in Beersheba. "We need about a million of them to come here and settle."

"The American Jewish youth and the sabras have a great deal in common," the German-born liaison officer told me. "They have the same temperament. The Americans have better technical training. The sabras have technical aptitude and are quick to learn. They appreciate the contribution of the Americans."

And there is plenty of room in the Negev. It is the "West" of the State of Israel.

GOSSETT SLAMMED FOR ATTACK
ON JEWISH DPs; SLURS DENIED

Jewish Telegraphic Agency
WASHINGTON—A bitterly anti-Semitic speech by Congressman Ed Gossett, Texas Democrat, before the Washington chapter of the American Association of University Women began drawing protests this week from within the administration and on Capitol Hill.

Speaking last week on displaced persons legislation as a member of the House Sub-committee on Immigration, Gossett attacked the entrance into this country of Jewish DPs as "an injection of virus in our national bloodstream which is already becoming polluted."

He singled out Russian Jews as being especially undesirable. Gossett charged that most of the Jews in DP camps are not those who have been persecuted but are "Communist Russian and Polish Jews" who are planning to destroy the U.S. from within.

The Texas Congressman said that the true persecutees were the ethnic Germans expelled from Eastern Europe, overlooking the fact that several million Russian and Polish Jews lost their lives during the Nazi regime. To Gossett, the Jewish survivors are "a left-over, non-talented class, too lazy to work."

He described DP legislation as rewarding "the least deserving, least desirable and most dangerous" people.

Gossett conceded that the U.S. was a country of immigrants but he maintained that "times have changed and so have the immigrants." He suggested that at least half of the DP quotas be filled with "good German folks who are not afraid of physical work." The Germans, he said, are of "better stock than the dregs of the DP camps."

Rep. Emanuel Celler, New York Democrat, this week wrote to the American Association of University Women asking for a chance to speak to the chapter in view of the grave charges made by Gossett.

Specific charges of DP destruction and sabotage which were made by Gossett were contradicted firmly this week in official circles. Gossett stated that DPs stationed at the Zeilsheim camp near Frankfurt rioted and destroyed \$200,000 in equipment when ordered to move to new quarters so as to make room for U.S. airlift personnel. Army spokesman connected with DP administration reported their records showed no such destruction taking place during the evacuation.

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Seek End Of UJA Battles

CJFWF Special Committee Starts Job of Ending U.S. Fund Chaos

National Jewish Post
NEW YORK—First steps to implement a resolution aimed at ending the confusion, duplication and waste in U. S. Jewish communal fund-raising will be explored May 7-8 at the first meeting of a special committee of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

The resolution was passed at the 17th General Assembly of the CJFWF in Philadelphia. It authorized the special committee to work with national and overseas agencies on the "desirability and feasibility" of various proposals, including one for a Jewish National Welfare Fund. (NJP Jan. 21.)

The resolution was the latest move in several years of effort by the CJFWF to persuade U.S. Jewish organizations to drop their sovereignty in respect to fund-raising and end their competitive battles for bigger shares in U.S. Jewish funds.

The committee which is headed by Julian Freeman of Indianapolis, president of the CJFWF East Central States Region, is under instructions to make its report "not later than the 1950 General Assembly."

Freeman told The Post that the 30-man committee will probably be unable to do more than to analyze the vast collection of data accumulated on the problem. He said he hoped that from its deliberations would come specific proposals concrete enough to lead to action before another national drive for overseas aid is underway.

Seek End To Battles

The committee will seek remedies for the repeated crises which have threatened disruption of major national drives and caused local conflicts. The reference was to the six months running battle which rocked the 1949 United Jewish Appeal campaign and wound up with the ouster of the Zionist Organization of America from any control of UJA agencies.

Freeman stressed that the committee will report regularly to the local Jewish communities on its

program. He said community boards of directors and other leaders will have full opportunity to study and discuss committee findings before the 1950 General Assembly is convened.

The CJFWF committee on national-local relationships, at the General Assembly in Philadelphia listed five lines of proposals for the special committee to consider. They were:

1. Establishment by the communities of a National Jewish Welfare Fund to raise and distribute all the funds collected by the U.S. Jewish communities for non-local causes.

2. Such a fund for overseas only.

3. Such a fund limited to non-UJA appeals, such as the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, Hadassah and Histadrut.

4. Such a fund, but one restricted to only those Jewish communities which want to use it and only those non-UJA overseas agencies which choose to affiliate with it.

5. An endorsement Committee to clear and pass on overseas appeals, especially some of the newer ones.

Freeman said these and some other ideas will be placed before the committee for analysis and decision.

In a memorandum to the committee members, Freeman noted that in addition to the UJA, more than 100 other national and overseas agencies get some support from local welfare funds. He said 64 of these agencies get enough support from welfare funds to rate being included in the 1949 CJFWF budget digest bulletins.

He said that except in a few cases, most of these Jewish or-

Gamzey Reports Average Israeli Convinced Pogroms Certain To Come In The United States

World Wide News Service

NEW YORK—Most Israeli are convinced that sooner or later there will be persecution and even pogroms in the United States and that American Jews will have to look for refuge in Israel, a United States Anglo-Jewish editor reported this week after a tour of Israel.

Robert Gamzey, editor of the Intermountain Jewish NEWS of Denver, said here in an interview that Israeli citizens are so obsessed with the tragedy of Germany that they are certain the Hitler process will be repeated in this country.

Gamzey said that for this reason, they do not hesitate to demand that American Jews should transfer everything they have of their worldly goods to Israel before the pogroms start.

"The prevailing mood in Israel now is that of optimism, self-confidence, self-assertion, bordering almost on expansionism," Gamzey said. "The average Israeli, native, old-timer, or new arrival, is convinced that there is nothing in

the world that Israeli cannot achieve militarily, economically, culturally and in every field of human endeavor."

Gamzey said that religion does not play the important part in Israel which Orthodox Zionists claim. He said the average Israeli, native and immigrant, is completely indifferent to institutionalized religion.

He said only the Sabbath, Yom Kippur and Yizkor are generally observed and otherwise the synagogues are empty, or they are filled with old Jews, or with Jews from the Arab countries.

Gamzey said a new theory was developing in Israel about religion.

"Over and over again, you hear the young people saying: 'Religion was necessary to keep the Jewish people together during 2,000 years of dispersion. Now that we have the Jewish State and a land of our own, we do not need religion any more. Those old people who want it can have it, but it is not for us.'"

ganizations are completely separate and beyond any kind of community control in respect to fund-raising, budgeting and planning.

Freeman said that local community spokesmen, in commenting on the confusion in U.S. Jewish fund-raising, want to minimize and if possible to avoid, "first and foremost, any sharp and bitter competition for the funds they raise, especially among the major and national and overseas agencies."

They're Left Out

Community leaders, Freeman said, have repeatedly complained "against lack of participation in national decisions which directly affect them." He said this includes national policies, questions of local quotas and similar issues.

He also repeated sharp community criticism of "the costs of publicity and promotion by the national and overseas agencies, as represented by literature, mail, long distance telegrams and promotional telephone calls, regional offices and conferences."

He listed as basic questions which the special committee will consider in making any decisions as these:

1. What are the minimum essentials to achieve a workable and acceptable national program for distribution of funds and the planning underlying it?

2. What will determine the workability of a plan?

3. What are the minimum essentials to achieve a workable and acceptable program for distribution of funds and the planning underlying it?

4. On what basis can the cooperation of the overseas and/or national agencies be achieved?

5. What will be acceptable to the communities as meeting their wishes?

6. What should be the underlying relationship of communities to the overseas and national agencies in any sound program? Should communities participate as such in the administration of national and overseas machinery?

7. What are the causes of the shortcomings in the present arrangements for the UJA in fund raising and fund distribution? For other similar operations, such as JDA, AFPI, and Federated Council for Palestine Institutions?

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Other members of the new committee were Mrs. Rose Halprin, president of Hadassah; Baruch Zuckerman, national chairman of the Labor Zionist Organization of America; Henry Morgenthau, Jr., chairman of the UJA; and Judge Morris Rothenberg, acting national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. The UPA is the largest constituent agency of the United Jewish Appeal.

The committee was given three major functions:

Functions Of Committee
1. To seek elimination of unauthorized campaigns which might tend to divert funds from the UJA.

2. To coordinate the timing and publicity of authorized campaigns to assure maximum results for the UJA drive.

3. To offer its services to the contributing public as a guide "to the validity of any organization soliciting funds on behalf of

SHINWELL, AFTER 50 SILENT YEARS, URGES BRITISH JEWISH AID TO ISRAEL

LONDON—British War Secretary Emanuel Shinwell, who maintained complete silence during the long British fight against Jewish aspirations in Palestine, urged British Jews this week "to fortify the Jews in Israel practically and spiritually," according to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

Shinwell said his last association with Jewish education was 50 years ago when he attended a private Jewish Orthodox school. He said that it was there he learned that "one should be proud to be a Jew, whether others like it or not."

Making his first public speech as an affirmative Jew, Shinwell said, in a talk to a Jewish educational gathering in London, that Israel has emerged from the "shadows of past years," and called it a "great miracle."

He said the Jews of Israel had demonstrated courage, faith and a capacity to stand up against all opposition.



SHINWELL

JEWISH LABOR COUNCIL LISTED AS SUBVERSIVE BY TOM CLARK

WASHINGTON—The American Jewish Labor Council, which was attacked last year on charges that money collected for Israel was going into Communist party treasuries, was formally listed as a subversive communist organization by Attorney Gen. Tom Clark this week.

The group was included in a list of 36 made public by the United States Civil Service Commission. The list was published like earlier ones, under laws requiring the attorney general to name such groups.

The lists are circulated as guides to be used in investigations of the loyalty of federal workers.

The fascist groups included the violently anti-Semitic Blue Star Mothers of America. Gerald L. K. Smith's Christian Nationalist party was listed among groups which have "adopted a policy of advocating or approving the commission of acts of force and violence to deny others their rights under the Constitution of the United States."

The Association of Georgia Klans also was listed in that group.

Silver To Resign As AZEC Head

World Wide News Service

NEW YORK—Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver this week confirmed his forthcoming resignation from the chairmanship of the American Zionist Emergency Council, his remaining formal office in American Zionism.

The resignation from the chairmanship, which Dr. Silver has held since 1943, will be his third withdrawal from Zionist activities in the last few months.

The first was his resignation as chairman and member of the American section of the Jewish Agency during the recent dispute over the United Jewish Appeal.

The second was his rejection of a draft for the presidency of the Zionist Organization of America, which he headed in 1946 and 1947.

How can they be overcome?

8. What are the assets and liabilities of each possible plan with reference to assuring greater stability, greater unification, more funds, more effective services?

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JEWISH AGENCY MAKES MOVE AGAINST FUND-RAISING CHAOS

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—The Jewish Agency for Palestine stepped into the chaos of U. S. fund-raising for Israel this week with announcement of a committee to eliminate "unauthorized and illegitimate" fund drives in order to assure priority for the United Jewish Appeal.

The announcement of the new committee failed to indicate whether the Jewish Agency had any specific plans to deal with the connection between the duplication and waste in such fund raising, and the fact that most of the offending agencies are virtually autonomous and beyond community control.

The committee was an outgrowth of the plenary session of the executive of the Jewish Agency which recently unseated the Zionist Organization of America from any control over UJA fund-raising.

The Jewish Agency said the committee was named at the plenary session and that it will be headed by Nahum Goldmann, who was named acting chairman of the American section to replace Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, who resigned in the fight over UJA control.



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A Digest of the Yiddish Press

DEBATE OVER ANTI-SEMITISM IN RUSSIA ROCKING YIDDISH PRESS

By RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

THESE days, when the American press has its tongue stuck out at Russia almost permanently, nothing delights the Stalinist FREIHEIT more than a chance to make the "Marshall Plan" papers bite that tongue. Last week it got such a chance, with nothing less than the New York Times as its victim. A story in The Times, reprinted in the FORWARD, told of a cartoon which appeared in the Russian humor magazine, "Crocodile," wherein a character "with a hooked Jewish nose" is labelled the "zhid" (a very derogatory term for Jew) Lippmann. To The Times this was evidence of Soviet anti-Semitism.



The FREIHEIT waited until its copy of the humor magazine arrived and noted that the nose of the man in the cartoon was not at all hooked and, furthermore, what The Times took for "zhid" was actually "Gide," the French author, who was listed with Walter Lippman and others as literary enemies of Communism. The FREIHEIT scornfully reports that The Times buried its retraction deep inside the paper and the FORWARD had not bothered to apologize at all.

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Is There Any Moral In These Reports?

In the same issue of the JOURNAL, there are items disclosing the fortunes left by two well known decedents. Capt. Joseph M. Patterson, late owner of the New York Daily NEWS, left an estate worth \$11,245,995. After more than 50 years in the rabinate, Dr. Stephen Wise had \$45,000 to bequeath, \$6,500 of which will go to several Jewish institutions.

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Two Yiddish Papers In Remarkable Harmony

The pious JOURNAL and the Emanu-El engaged a new rabbi,

Zionist DAY do not always see things eye-to-eye. But last week they were united in three matters: 1) an appeal for funds to aid housing in Israel, 2) condemnation of the American Council for Judaism, 3) endorsement of Daniel Frisch for the ZOA presidency.

In identical articles, both papers appealed to their readers for money to ease the critical housing shortage in Israel, where 81,000 people are homeless. The "ineffable" Council is rapped by the JOURNAL's David Adelsberg in a piece called, "A Conference of Traitors." In the DAY, it is Dr. Solomon Bickel who hammers away at the Council, calling them a poisonous element in the Jewish body politic. Bickel, incidentally, writes erroneously that "200 rabbis, with their rich members" attended the Lessing Rosenwald shindig.

With regard to Frisch, the DAY has always been one of his boosters, but the JOURNAL kept off the bandwagon until the ZOA endorsed him. In an editorial, the JOURNAL says that Frisch is the man who can achieve unity in Zionist ranks, and urges the CPZ to accept him too.

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Wise Set Principle Of Freedom From Trustees

Needless to say, the death of Rabbi Stephen Wise plunged the entire Yiddish press into a state of grief, with countless columns devoted to tribute and memorialization. Many of the writers point out that those things in which Wise pioneered have now become commonplaces, as a result of the great rabbi's courage. As an instance of the changes which Wise had succeeded in introducing into Jewish life, the FORWARD's N. Zolowitz points out that most Reform temples now allow their rabbis complete freedom in the pulpit. Years ago, Wise turned down a job at New York's Temple Emanu-El because unlimited freedom could not be guaranteed.

But during the past year, the pious JOURNAL and the Emanu-El engaged a new rabbi,

Julius Mark. And Rabbi Mark, a Zionist, told Zolowitz in an interview a few months ago that he had been assured absolute liberty of the pulpit by Emanu-El's Board of Trustees. "It was Stephen S. Wise, and no other, who established that principle for Reform congregations," writes Zolowitz.

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Another Jewish Reporter Falls For California

The FORWARD's Chaim Ehrenreich is in love—with Stockton and Fresno, California. Accompanying the UJA "Caravan of Hope," Ehrenreich's dispatches are helping his readers to "discover" America (i.e. the U. S. A., outside of N. Y.). Loaded with local color and human interest material, Ehrenreich's reports list the leaders of each of the communities he visits.

He declares himself fascinated by the climate, the friendliness, and the Jewish dwellers of California's cities. He is impressed by the fact that Stockton's mayor declared a "UJA Week" and asked all citizens to support the campaign. But he is even more enchanted by the modesty of Stockton's welfare campaign chairman, Jacob Cooper, a retired department store owner. European-born, Mr. Cooper once received the largest amount of votes for City Council of Visalia, Calif., which automatically made him mayor. But Cooper turned down the honor because his "English wasn't good enough."

Kosher Kitchen Again At Mt. Sinai Hospital

PHILADELPHIA — Reopening of the kosher kitchen at Jewish-supported Mt. Sinai Hospital was announced this week by hospital officials. The kitchen, only one in any hospital in this city, was originally opened in 1929 and closed at the beginning of the war due to shortages of help and supplies.

The hospital failed to reopen the kosher kitchen at the end of the war when labor and material became plentiful again and there was considerable pressure brought to bear on the Federation of Jewish Charities, which supports the hospital, by Orthodox groups to have the kitchen reopened three years ago.

The kitchen, the hospital said, would be under religious supervision and as well as under the hospital's dietetic staff.

German Court Frees Hate Film Producer

HAMBURG — (JTA) — A German Criminal Court has acquitted Nazi Germany's film producer, Veit Harlan, of a charge of committing a crime against humanity in making the film, "Jew Süss," to support the Nazi anti-Jewish campaign. The prosecutor, who had asked for a two-year jail sentence for the film producer, said he would consider an appeal.

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Funds for Local Communal Needs Reach All-Time High, JWB Reports

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—An official of the Jewish Welfare Board said this week that despite the pressure of overseas needs, more money than ever before is being allocated from the United Jewish Appeal collections for domestic Jewish communal agencies.

S. D. Gershovitz, JWB executive director, told the annual meeting of the JWB Jewish Center division committee that "upwards of \$70,000,000 has thus far been raised by Jewish Welfare Funds and Federations in the communities for this essential and desirable purpose."

Philip M. Klutznick, Chicago, was re-named chairman of the division at the close of its two-day sessions Sunday.

Geshovitz said that with the emptying of the DP camps in Europe, the stabilization of the State of Israel and setting of long range plans for the Jews in Arab lands, "there is a strong likelihood that there will be a diminishing call for continuance of high goals for overseas purposes."

He conceded that the end of the emergency probably meant that "the large sums hitherto raised through the emotional appeals of the overseas situation" would not be matched "after that appeal is reduced."

He said there were many observers, however, who felt that the mobilization of interest and manpower in the UJA drives "may succeed in retaining higher levels of giving to meet the more comprehensive and over-all needs of the American Jewish community."

Border Guards Redoubled

TWO IRON CURTAIN SATELLITES MOVE TO HOLD FLEEING JEWS

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

VIENNA—Hungary and Czechoslovakia have decided to take energetic measures to halt the illegal emigration of Jews westward over their frontiers, reliable sources stated this week. Frontier precautions and the number of guards along the Czechoslovak and Hungarian frontiers with Austria will be redoubled, the same sources said.

As a consequence of these new precautions, approximately 1,000 Hungarian Jews, who had succeeded in fleeing from Hungary, are now stranded at Bratislava where they had gathered in the hope of smuggling themselves across the frontier to Vienna, which is only 38 miles west.

The Czech authorities have refused to permit this group of 1,000 Jews to cross into Austria, although earlier this week a group of 1,200 had little difficulty boarding busses at Bratislava and driving here. The same officials are reported to be threatening to return them across the Czechoslovakia-Hungarian border.

Reliable informants add that the Russians are joining with the Czechoslovakia and Hungarian authorities in efforts to halt the illegal refugee traffic by strengthening the roadblocks in their occupation zone of Austria, particularly along the highways leading from the east to Vienna. In addition, the Russian authorities here have refused to permit the transfer of the 1,200 Jews, who arrived earlier, from two camps in their zone of Vienna to the United States sector.

Meanwhile, a group of 850

First Jewish Migrant From USSR Reported

PRAGUE—(JTA)—The Israeli legation here has announced that "the first official Jewish emigrant from the Soviet Union" passed through Czechoslovakia this week on his way to Israel. The legation was quoted as saying it had no information on the possibility of further Jewish emigration from Russia.

The legation announced that 15,000 Czechoslovakia Jews have applied for Israeli visas while approximately 2,500 Jews have already left this country for the Jewish state. A member of the legation estimated at 10,000 the number of Jews who will remain in Czechoslovakia when all visa applications are cleared.

Reuters reported that the Israeli Minister to Czechoslovakia and Hungary, Ehud Avriel, was now in Budapest conducting negotiations with the Hungarian Government for emigration of Jews from that country to Israel.

Jewish refugees has just left the U. S. zone of Austria on the first stage of their trip to Israel. Another 400 Jews will leave later.

SPURT IN NEW SYNAGOGUES REPORTED THROUGHOUT U. S.

PHILADELPHIA—(NJP)—A Chicago Conservative lay leader said this week that nearly every Jewish community in the U. S. was building new synagogues or enlarging present ones.

Maxwell Abell, chairman of the planning and campaign committee of the Jewish Theological Seminary listed that as a sign that American Jewry was groping toward an "epochal" religious and cultural reawakening.

In his annual report to the third annual conference of the committee, Abell told the 192 delegates that "new congregations

are being formed every week and many of them are coming into being through the initiative of young veterans."

He added however that the leaders of the synagogues "now find themselves confronted with a dearth of spiritual leadership and educational guidance."

"The responsibility for this unhappy situation must rest with those faint-hearted men and women who do not realize that American Jewry's philanthropic shoulders are broad," he said "broad enough to carry the responsibility for our own spiritual growth as well as for the physical survival of our brethren overseas."



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Some Of Our Best Friends Guilty Of Barring Fellow-Jews

Jewish Employers Among Worst In Denying Jews Jobs, Survey Finds

MIAMI, Fla.—Jewish employers appear to be among the worst of those who discriminate against Jewish job-seekers, a recent survey of employment practices in Miami has disclosed.

The survey, made by the Miami Jewish FLORIDIAN, also revealed that such bigoted Jews are heartily detested for those practices by non-Jews.

The survey was prompted by a telephone call from a non-Jewish employment agency owner who reported she was having considerable trouble placing Jewish job-hunters and that a great deal of her trouble came from Jewish employers who blandly specified they wanted "Gentile help only."

In a series of interviews with Miami employment agencies, Louis Aronovitz, a staff writer, reported that some of the leading Jewish figures in Miami were among those guilty of the practice which Jews spend millions in civic defense to battle when practiced by non-Jews.

Aronovitz said that in the interviews, many of the employment agency heads named names and that some of the names astounded him. He said one of the Jewish bigots had been active the previous year in the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

The study was based on interviews with a sample of Miami employment agencies which Aronovitz said represented one-third of the agencies likely to be concerned with the problem.

Those called were asked these questions:

"Do you encounter discrimination against your Jewish job-hunters? If so, to what extent? Is this anti-Jewish prejudice predominant in any particular occupation or religious groups? Do you ever find it among Jews themselves?"

Majority Report They Have Known Cases of It

Fourteen of the agency heads interviewed reported they had experienced "this Jewish brand of anti-Semitism." Of the 4, nine said it was prevalent and five said it happened occasionally. Only five said it was rare.

One Gentile agency head said that Jews were the worst offenders in job discrimination.

"According to my records, the vast majority of cases in which prospective employers requested non-Jewish workers involve Jews," she told Aronovitz. "I would venture to say that if the Jewish lawyers, doctors, hotel operators and business men placed no restriction on members of their own religion, there would be no employment problem among the Jews. At any rate, the problem would be greatly alleviated."

Another manager reported that "We never receive such calls from Catholics and Protestants." He said Jews were "harder" on their own people than any other group.

She Wouldn't Have Nerve

Another agency operator, a non-Jew, said that she would have difficulty in making a request for Gentile help only "in the shameless manner" in which such requests are made to her by Jewish employers.

A Jewish employment agency head said that even some of the kosher hotels practice a no-Jewish policy, which presumably did not extend to rabbinical supervision.

He listed the case of a man who, hardly able to speak English, called and asked for a "nice Gentile boy" for his hotel, which caters to a Yiddish-speaking clientele.

And Jewish Doctors
non-Jewish employment

head, who was greatly disturbed by such Jewish discrimination, reported on the case of a Jewish physician who not only refused to hire Jewish help but boasted about it to his Gentile friends.

The agency head said that what the doctor did not know was that his boasting not only gained the wrath of his non-Jewish friends, "but that one of them who had previously never discriminated against Jewish help, has taken the cue from the doctor and has instituted a restrictive policy in his office."

Aronovitz reported that this individual told the employment manager, "Let the Jews set their own house in order before they call upon us."

They Aren't All Runaway Jewish Types

Aronovitz said that on the basis of the names disclosed to him, some of the Jewish practitioners of job bias could be classified as runaway Jews.

He added, however, that many of them were not in that category.

"On the contrary, they attend synagogues and temples regularly and in some cases abide by the dietary laws," he reported. "They are leaders in the Jewish community, men who have won the admiration and respect of their friends and neighbors."

"They are top men in the great Miami Jewish Federation hierarchy and their names appear in the columns of the Jewish FLORIDIAN over and over again," he said.

Aronovitz said that many of them were active in Brotherhood week and he charged they were "guilty—notoriously and unparadoxically guilty—of the most opprobrious brand of hypocrisy."

He reported that on the basis of occupations, Jewish doctors are the worst offenders. Hotel owners also rank high on the list.

He'd Be Surprised

The survey reported the comment of one agency manager who specializes placing hotel help. The manager said that he had no trouble placing Jews except in restricted hotels. He commented that the only way it would be possible for a Jew to get into one of them would be to buy the hotel.

"What this man did not know is that many of these restricted hotels are already owned by Jewish interests," the article commented.

Jewish women seeking domestic help are also high on the list of those who want "Gentiles only," Aronovitz reported.

Most of the agency officials told Aronovitz that they didn't ask why when Jewish employers de-

manded non-Jewish help. But some did and the reasons Aronovitz collected showed that such Jewish employers had learned well from non-Jewish exponents of discrimination.

And Here Are The Reasons They Give

Among the reasons given by Jewish employers in banning Jewish help was that Jews were overbearing, Jews were loud and overbearing Jews were loud and boisterous, Jews were clannish, Jews were too "familiar," Jews were too "smart," and Jews "talk too much."

Commenting on the reasons, one Jewish agency head said:

"The real reason why so many Jews discriminate against their co-religionists is that these Jews, consciously or subconsciously, wish to curry favor with non-Jews and think that this action will do the trick."

Since this kind of bias seems to be beyond the reach of the Jewish civic defense agencies, some of the employment bureaus have taken matters into their own hands.

One manager omits the question of religion from her application forms and when employers call and raise the issue, she tells them she doesn't ask her applicants and doesn't know.

Quotas In Reverse

Another manager has introduced a quota system, which started when a member of his agency tried to persuade a bank to drop its biased employment policy. The bank official agreed to make a concession which brought in some Jewish help on a quota system.

The manager of that agency argued that his quota system was giving a chance to Jews in employment areas where they had been totally shut out before.

Readers of the series also had ideas, Aronovitz reported in his final article.

He said some readers had suggested a boycott. "When there is conclusive evidence that the owner of a business has refused to hire Jewish help, do not patronize him," those readers suggested.

National Men's Clubs Slate Annual Meet

NEW YORK (NJP)—Representatives from all parts of the U. S. are expected for the 20th annual national convention of the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs in Atlantic City May 20-22.

The Federation is an affiliate of the (Conservative) United Synagogue of America.

JEWISH CONVERT TO CATHOLICISM CREDITS PROF. ADLER FOR ASSIST

NEW YORK—An article by a Jewish convert to Catholicism, relating the details of conversion, is one of the features of the first issue of a new Hebrew Union College Jewish Institute of Religion Quarterly published this week.

The Rev. M. Raphael Simon, now a member of a monastic order at Valley Falls, N. Y., describes how he was first drawn to Catholicism as a student of Aristotle and St. Thomas Aquinas under Chancellor Robert M. Hutchins, Prof. Mortimer Adler and Dean Richard M. McKeon at the University of Chicago.

Chicago Rabbi Urges Synagogue Association

Goldman Rejects Hurwitz' JARA, Offers Own Communal Blueprint

By ASHER BIRNBAUM

National Jewish Post Correspondent

CHICAGO (NJP)—Rabbi Solomon Goldman, noted Conservative rabbinical leader, proposed this week that a "Synagogue association" with powers of coercion be developed to replace the present synagogue system as a first step toward reorganization of the U. S. Jewish community.

He made the suggestion in commenting on a talk by Henry Hurwitz, editor of the MENORAH JOURNAL, who urged Chicago rabbis to support his widely-discussed proposal for a Jewish Assembly of Representatives (J A R A).

Views At Assembly

Hurwitz outlined his views at the annual Kallah (assembly) of Chicago rabbis held in Temple Beth El in Highland Park.

He urged them to participate in a revitalization of Jewish life that would wrest control of the American Jewish community from the grip of "secular organizations."

"It is an obscene situation in which defense agencies wallow in wealth while rabbinical seminaries are forced to panhandle for funds," Hurwitz told the rabbis. The reference was to deficits incurred during the last year by the Jewish Theological Seminary and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

Quoting an unnamed "high United Jewish Appeal official," Hurwitz said that 85 per cent of the contributions came from synagogue members. He told the rabbis they should exert an influence on Jewish activity in proportion to that figure rather than accepting the role of "couriers and courtiers of the secularists."

Needs Bigger Role

Rabbi Goldman agreed that the "synagogue has become marginal on the American Jewish scene" and that it should play a more important role.

"A Jewish community could continue to exist without its many organizations," he said, "but a Jewish community without the synagogue is impossible."

He added, however, that Hurwitz was guilty of setting up a straw man in his attacks on secular leaders. He said "all major American Jewish organizations had religious origins and there



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Is Secularism a Straw Man?

exists now no significant cleavages caused by adherents and opponents of secularism."

Rabbi Goldman insisted that "the jealously guarded sovereignty of individual synagogues and temples must be abolished."

He offered instead of JARA his idea of a synagogue association. He said he would be willing to fight for such a new organization and promised a hearty welcome for any supporters for the proposal at the local level.

Rabbi Maurice I. Kliers, spiritual leader of Beth El, who presided at the Kallah, said the Chicago Rabbinical Association will give further study to both proposals.

London Pilots Fined; Smuggled Israel Aid

LONDON (JTA)—Four London residents, all pilots, were this week fined \$200 each for having flown four British Beaufighter fighters from Britain to Palestine. The men admitted flying the planes. Three of the four said that they had received \$2,000 for the flight, while the fourth member stated that he got \$800.

NEW HOUSING STARTS

TEL AVIV (JTA)—The cornerstone for a new \$6,000,000 housing project to provide 1,350 housing units for new immigrants was laid near Tel Aviv this week. The project will form part of a new suburb of Tel Aviv.

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Names In The News

LEONARD BERNSTEIN WINS
BOSTON SYMPHONY \$1000 AWARD

LEONARD BERNSTEIN, the handsome young musician who has become the darling of pro-Zionist American Jewish women, particularly the younger set, won the \$1,000 Boston Symphony Orchestra merit award of 1949. The youthful composer-conductor won the prize for his second symphony "The Age of Anxiety," which had its first performance a month ago by the Boston Symphony.

Arrival and Departure

Two more rabbis are cementing the new tradition of trips to Israel. Beth Hamidrash Hagadol is sending its spiritual leader, Rabbi REUBEN SLONIM and Rabbi HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN of the West Side Institutional Synagogue of New York is going. He will be accompanied by his wife and their daughter, Naomi.

Rabbi ISIDOR GRUNFELD, an expert on Jewish law and a leader of the Jewish community of Great Britain, was scheduled to arrive in New York May 11 to make a U. S. lecture tour.

Some Jewish Firsts

Rev. ISRAEL GOLDBERG, the first graduate of the Milah (ritual circumcision) class started at the Hebrew Theological College of Chicago in 1948, has started practice as a Mohel in Kansas City, Mo.

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SUNDAY, MAY 8—"Israel: A Blend of Religious Nationalism," second in a series of five talks by Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein, spiritual leader of K.A.M. Temple, Chicago; on the "Message of Israel," 10 a. m. DST, NBC.

SUNDAY, MAY 8—"The Second Sun," the story of a young Palestinian boy whose sight is destroyed in a wartime accident; on the "Eternal Light," 12:30 p. m., DST, NBC.

Church Denies Israel
Persecuted Non-Jews

JERUSALEM—An official of the Presbyterian Church in Palestine reported this week that charges of persecution of Christians by Israeli on religious grounds were false.

The Rev. Andrew Scott-Morrison, Moderator of the Jerusalem Presbytery of the Church of Scotland, said he had examined complaints voiced in the church House of Lords that Hebrew Christians had been persecuted. He said the Irgun and the Stern gangs had persecuted some Christians but not on religious grounds. He said the victims had been former employees of the British Intelligence Service.

The moderator is now in Israel to arrange for release of some church properties used by the Israeli army, which he said was in good condition except for a church house in Safed which had been blown up.

Penna. Legislature
Ends; No FEPC

National Jewish Post
PHILADELPHIA—As predicted several weeks ago in The Post the 1949 session of the Pennsylvania State Legislature adjourned last week without doing anything about FEPC, staunchly supported by Governor Duff and included in the Republican platform in the last State elections.

Not only did the proposed FEPC law fail to get out of committee for possible hearings and debate on the legislative floor but the House, on the last day, killed, by taking no action, a Senate-approved resolution authorizing a Joint State Government Commission to study and recommend a program of education and development of legislation designed to ban unlawful employment practices. The resolution was introduced in the Senate as a sop to groups, including many Jewish organizations, who fostered FEPC legislation, after the bill died in committee.

MILHAUD WRITES SYNAGOGUE SERVICE
FOR SAN FRANCISCO CONGREGATION

SAN FRANCISCO—(NJP)—A foundation created by a member of the Congregation Emanu-El has made possible a special synagogue service written by Darius Milhaud, the world-famous French composer.

Cantor Reuben R. Rinder is in charge of the program at which the new service will receive its world premiere May 18. Milhaud will direct the premiere with a 100-voice choir and the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra.

The service will be made available to Reform congregations after its premier, Louis Freehof, executive director of the Congregation, said.

The Record Rack

KOL NIDREI, IN ORIGINAL SETTING,
GETS RESPLENDENT PERFORMANCE

Kol Nidrei, Adagio for Cello and Orchestra, by Max Bruch, Gregor Piatigorsky and the Philadelphia Orchestra, directed by Eugene Ormandy, one 12-inch record.

The famous prayer in its original, beautiful setting is played exceedingly well by the Philadelphia Orchestra, but given a somewhat low-key interpretation by Piatigorsky—which is simply a personal observation; there is nothing wrong with his fiddling.

Bruch's composition sounds a lot more secular than sacred. Many of us have grown up with a distorted idea of what the Kol Nidrei sounds like. This is it, and chances are that what you hear in temple during high holidays is not; at least, spiritually, not.

A large part of Kol Nidrei's beauty in the original is due to Max Bruch's apparently unusual ability to write music with the same orderly logic one would use Berg began his opera, "Wozzeck," in working out an equation. One J. G.

phrase follows another absolutely as one feels it should. Hans von Bulow, in an acidulous and bitter-truthful mood, once said that while Brahms had written a concerto against the violin, Bruch had written one for the violin.

Max Bruch was born in Cologne, Germany, in 1838, and died in 1920. He was a master of harmonics. When he died, the younger modern composers were already building their reputations on his teachings. Ravel composed "La Valse," Puccini was working on "Turandot," Vaughan-Williams became a teacher at the Royal College of Music, Bloch wrote a violin sonata, and Alban Berg began his opera, "Wozzeck."

Israeli Orthodox Win Order
GOV'T BAN ON ARRIVAL OF SHIPS
ON SATURDAY STARTS DEBATE

TEL AVIV, Israel—A new debate over the issue of Jewish Biblical law in the Jewish State was touched off this week over an order of the Government banning the debarkation of passengers in the Haifa harbor on Saturdays.

A left-wing member of the assembly sharply criticized the Government of Premier David Ben-Gurion for the order and was answered by Moshe Shapiro, Minister of Immigration and a member of the Orthodox bloc.

"Saturday is the official day of rest in the State of Israel," Shapiro said in the debate. "Let the shipping companies arrange their schedules so that their ships arrive on week-days."

Marine Carp Is Center

The debate centered around the Marine Carp, a ship operated by the American Export Lines, which has consistently arrived on Saturdays during the past few years.

Orthodox Jews on board the ship had begged the captain and cabled the rabbis in Palestine to intervene on the issue. In her March trip, the Marine Carp again arrived on a Saturday but

this time Israeli immigration officials said no one could land.

The ship rode anchor until Sunday morning with all her passage aboard. On her next sailing in April, the ship arrived on a Monday.

The incident created wide-spread debate which was summed up in this question: "Should the Jewish State use sovereign powers to enforce observance of Jewish religious law?"

The issue of the extent to which such law is to be incorporated into the law of the land will be one of the toughest the Assembly will have to deal with when a permanent constitution is worked out and adopted.

The anti-clericals, concentrated mainly in the labor-oriented collective settlements, demand freedom of belief which they argue should include freedom not to believe.

The stand of the Orthodox is that individual citizens should have full freedom but that this must stop in respect to observance of the Biblical laws of Sabbath observance and dietary laws.

The Orthodox also seek complete control over matters of personal status, including marriage, divorce, wills and alimony.

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Women's Viewpoint

TEACHERS CAN, MOTHERS CAN'T; AND HERE ARE SOME REASONS

By HELEN COHEN

I've heard it once, I've heard it a dozen times. "How is it that the teachers manage so well with 40 children and I have trouble with two?"

I've jotted down a few observations on the subject. One or two may excuse mothers, but the rest seem to fall under the heading of "Facts that make mama look sick."

1. Teachers have to undergo intensive training and pass stiff exams before children are exposed to them. Mothers think all they need is a wedding ring and nine months to learn their way around the kitchen.

2. Teachers must be continually on their toes, with frequent and unannounced inspections from both principals and doting parents. Mothers—well, they have to consider what neighbors and relatives might think.

3. Teachers maintain discipline without resorting to corporal punishment. Mothers think it is their prerogative to use anything short of manslaughter.

4. Teachers must continually improve their techniques and education, with summer or evening courses. Mothers draw a blank on this one.

5. Mothers can claim that their duties cover much more ground than just working with their offspring; they must cook and clean, wash and mend, plan and shop. True, but teachers also have a variety of jobs and work against a deadline in preparing the class for the next grade.

6. Teachers have a chance to correct mistakes made during the previous year, since each term she is presented with a brand-new batch of youngsters. Mothers don't have that opportunity. Then, too, facing a new group each year is a new challenge, whereas children sometimes get overfamiliar with mother's conversation, especially when she is wrought up over a misdemeanor.

My private investigator was telling me just the other day that she is considering breaking off speaking relations with her children. She insisted that once, while she was lecturing them, she could tell by the look in their eyes that not a word was penetrating. She decided that anyway maybe they had heard it all several times before. Just a broken record, that's what mothers are.

I hope I've cleared up the mystery of how teachers manage so nicely with 40 and mothers are thrown for a loss with two. You might also consider that teachers, while they like a little social life, know their limitations. They can't take a chance on losing their jobs by being over-tired and short-tempered from too little sleep. I guess the word "efficiency" fits in here somewhere.

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I'm about ready to make a prediction: Women will never go up to I read the Torah.

I'm referring to the ceremony in the accepted sense, involving tallis, the calling up in Hebrew and the routine Hebrew chant used by men.

The whole tradition is too completely a strictly male prerogative. Extending the practice to women at this late date would not only be too complicated a problem but would be unacceptable to those who are so loyal to their ancient customs.

No, women won't read from the Torah. If changes are going to made to allow women to assume a position of equality in the synagogue, it will not be in awkward attempts at changing old, established patterns.

The areas open to women will be in NEW ceremonies, in addition, just as woman fitted easily into the new idea of women's organizations taking over the Friday evening service.

THAT IS WHERE OUR RABBI has shown good sense. First of all, over a year ago, he started the practice of calling up women as well as men (usually husband and wife together) to open the ark on Friday night. Since the Torah is not read on Friday night and tallisim are not worn, the women could be made to feel like equal participants in the services without entailing special difficulty.

And for several months now Rabbi William Greenfeld has inaugurated another practice. Each Saturday morning at the Family Service, just before the actual reading of the Torah, a young lady is called up to give the English version of the Torah portion for the week.

Because it is done simply, and because it is new and in English, her rendition doesn't impress one as being sacred or wrapped in honored time-worn tradition. But when you stop to think about it, her part is of great importance. Since most of the audience understands no Hebrew, reading the Torah may be a fine idea but one completely without meaning to the younger generation.

HEBREW AT CLEVELAND

CLEVELAND (JTA)—A two-year course in modern Hebrew will be introduced next fall at Cleveland college, a branch of Western Reserve University, it was announced here this week.

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Pelavin Klagsbrun

● Herbert Meyers, 8911 Linwood, Detroit, writes:

I would appreciate it very much if you would give me the origin of the name Pelavin. As far as I know people with that name came from Russia or Poland.

Pelavin is slightly misspelled Russian term denoting a craftsman who makes glazings, the glasslike coating of ceramic vessels. It is an unusual trade name as the occupation required considerable artistic skill and taste.

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● Seymour Klagsbrun, 351 Madison St., New York City, writes: I would like to know what the name Klagsbrun means.

Klagsbrun means "Well of St. Nicholas." The name is derived from some landmark in a German-speaking European country. Central Europe abounds in wells and springs named after St. Nicholas, the patron of running water. An ancestor living near such a body of water may easily have taken it as a family name.

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Do YOU know what YOUR name means? It isn't sheer accident. Every name has a meaning rich in the history of the Jewish people. Find out what your name means. Write to Mr. Pearlroth, care of The National Jewish Post.

ZOA Publishes Israel Guidebook

NEW YORK — (NJP) — "So You're Going to Israel," a guidebook for American tourists, was published this week by the national education department of the Zionist Organization of America.

The 38-page booklet describes in detail what the tourist needs to know in all stages of a trip to Israel. Topics covered include such diverse items as Israel's climate, nightclubs, sabbath, rationing and laundry.

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FISH OMELETTE

2½ pounds fish, cooked 2 tsp. parsley, chopped fine
3 large tomatoes 1½ tbsp. onion, chopped fine
salt and pepper 3 eggs, well beaten

1 tsp. celery, chopped fine

Boil or steam the fish, and shred the flesh. Peel the tomatoes, and dice small. Mix all ingredients well with shredded fish, place in a greased pan, and bake in oven at 350 degrees until well browned.

FISH SOUFFLE

Number 1

3 tbsp. butter 3 or 4 eggs, separated
4 tbsp. flour 1½ cups cooked or canned fish flaked
1 cup hot milk
salt and pepper

Make a white sauce of the butter, flour and milk. Add salt and pepper, let cool, beat yolks of eggs and add, add fish. When sauce is cold, beat whites of eggs, and fold into creamed fish. Pour into a buttered baking dish, and bake in oven at 350 degrees for 30 to 40 minutes.

Number 2: with Peas

3 tbsp. butter 3 eggs, separated
3 tbsp. flour 1 cup cooked or canned fish, flaked
½ cup hot milk ½ cup cooked peas
salt and pepper

Make a white sauce of the butter, flour and milk. Add salt and pepper. Beat yolks of eggs well, place in a dish, and gradually pour the hot sauce into the beaten yolks, stirring well. Add fish and peas, beat whites of eggs well, and fold into mixture. Pour into a buttered casserole, and place casserole in a pan of boiling water in oven. Let cook at 350 degrees until done.

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2 cups cooked or canned fish, salt and pepper
flaked ½ cup sweet cream
1½ cups cooked rice chopped parsley
3 hard-cooked eggs, chopped

Mix together lightly with a fork all ingredients except parsley. Heat thoroughly in upper container of a double boiler. Sprinkle liberally with parsley, and serve.

The Post will send one of Tina Lohman's famous cook books to each reader whose recipe is printed as "The Recipe of the Week."

JWB FINDS U.S. JEWISH YOUTH TAKING ACTIVE COMMUNAL ROLE

NEW YORK—(JTA)—Jewish youth and young adult councils throughout the country are assuming a greater role in the life of their local Jewish communities, a survey completed by the National Jewish Welfare Board reveals. Results of the survey are based on 130 replies to a questionnaire sent to 299 Jewish youth and young adult councils. Approximately 70 per cent of the councils reporting were created during the past two-and-a-half years.

The most popular types of Council activities, the survey disclosed, are social, educational, cultural, fund-raising, and programs of Jewish content. Jewish youth and young adult councils have sponsored community-wide observances in celebration of Jewish Book Month, Jewish Music Festival and Jewish Youth Week. They have conducted leadership training institutes and seminars, local youth conferences, courses of Jewish studies, Israeli youth conferences, intercultural events, vocational guidance programs, and other activities.

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The Editor's Chair

I ADDRESSED a study group of Rabbi Leonard Mervin's Congregation in Terre Haute last Wednesday and although I devoted only a small part of my talk on "The Structure of the U. S. Jewish Community" to the future of Judaism in the United States, it became obvious in the question and answer period that that was where the interest of the audience lay.

To be fair, though, I was quite impressed not alone with the questions about Judaism, but also with the group as a whole. They have been meeting regularly for years, and if that doesn't prove the points I am going to make, then what does?

In connection with my view on the future of Judaism, I disagreed with those who predict a decline in number of the U. S. Jewish community down to 2,500,000 or less. I said that we would develop a healthy, natural, creative American Judaism. I said that perhaps the forms of services would be changed with the passing of years so that they would become more meaningful and fulfill the needs of U. S. Jewry.

I told them that there were many factors not now discernible above the horizon which would reinvigorate the U.S. Jewish community from a Jewish standpoint, and that when the full force of these factors made themselves felt, we would overcome the trend toward assimilation and the difference of the present day.

I listed only one of these factors—the modern Jewish schools of religion, as compared with the Hebrew schools most of the present generation of U. S. Jews attended or did not attend.

But to get back to my first point, don't you think that the interest displayed by this group in a small Indiana town proves that I may be right, and that those who are willing to write off the U. S. Jewish community are not the accurate prophets they think they are?

IF YOU'VE ever been to San Francisco and haven't met Cantor Reuben Rinder, then you've missed one of the finest characters any city has produced. Cantor Rinder is one of those likeable men who seem to have always been exactly where they are now. In connection with San Francisco's Temple Emanu-El, he's as important as anybody else in the Temple family. From Rabbi Alvin Fine to executive Director Louis Freehof.

For more than 30 years now, Cantor Rinder has been the lovable figure who has impressed his character on the congregation, so that today he has an entree everywhere, and all people love him. It's hard to visualize in this hard, cold world, a man like Cantor Rinder.

Cantor Myro Glass, in Indianapolis' Temple Beth El, is another Cantor Rinder, and I imagine that if you had space you could tell me about your own cantor in your congregation who has

won the hearts of the congregation.

These servants of Judaism are too often overlooked, but often too, they receive the love and warmth of their communities and stand out as symbols of the good things in men.

Reform Groups Back Truman Health Plan

PHILADELPHIA (NJP)—Immediate passage of President Truman's program for compulsory health insurance was urged this week at a meeting sponsored by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

The three-day Institute on Judaism and public health sponsored by the Reform leaders agreed that voluntary insurance plans had brought some progress but decided that "this is not the solution."

The Institute strongly opposed any plans offering medical services on a charity basis, calling that approach "both degrading and undemocratic."

Plan To Teach Hebrew To Million U. S. Jews

NEW YORK—A program aimed at teaching Hebrew to 1,000,000 U. S. Jews was drafted here this week at the first American Conference for Hebrew and Language and Culture.

Five hundred delegates attended the meeting staged by the Histadruth Ivrit (Hebrew Federation of America) and elected Samuel J. Borowsky as president.

The program will develop plans for promotion of Hebrew elementary and secondary education, Hebrew literature and scholarship.

The program will be coordinated by a new council, to be composed of representatives of national Jewish organizations, to be named later.

Putnam To Publish Wise Book In Fall

NEW YORK—(NJP)—Putnam Co. announced this week it hopes to publish in the fall the autobiography of the late Dr. Stephen S. Wise, who completed the manuscript in longhand shortly before his death two weeks ago.

The manuscript, to which Rabbi Wise had hoped to add a final chapter based on a projected trip to Israel this summer, is being edited for publication by his children, James Waterman Wise and Justine Wise Poller.

It will be published under the title the late Jewish leader chose for it, "Challenging Years."

Biblical Society Honors Weizmann

NEW YORK — (NJP) — The American Biblical Encyclopedia Society notified President Chaim Weizmann of Israel this week that the next volume of the encyclopedia series will be dedicated to him.

Officials said the volume will be published with proceeds of a May 8 dinner in honor of Surgeon General George Frankenthaler, outgoing president of the society.

HAIFA (JTA)—Israel will always have to maintain a strong army, navy and air force, Brig. Yaacov Dori, Israeli Army chief of staff, declared here this week, warning against a feeling of complacency which has set in as a result of the recent armistice pacts.

U. S. Jews Must Make Homes For DPs

(Continued from Front Page)

RAELI

Speaking in Fort Wayne last week, Sam Rothberg of Peoria talked some good common sense, so good and so sound that the leadership of Fort Wayne reacted properly.

"This should be the last big year," said Mr. Rothberg.

"All we have done up until now can be lost and the upkeep of a bankrupt country of 1,000,000 become the burden of American Israel, if the country is not helped by us to keep on an even keel in this, their hour of trial," the youthful United Jewish Appeal leader declared.

Then answering those who had complained about bad business, Mr. Rothberg scored even more decisively.

"Who forces you to put into the capital column of your books on Jan. 1, 1949, what only the day before, on Dec. 31, was income?"

Must this point be labored? What would your answer be to another question Mr. Rothberg posed. "None of us wanted the Second World War. All of us would be glad to give all we made if we could bring back to life the loved ones we lost. Yet how many of us are not so much better off financially today in 1949 than we were in 1941?"

The people of Fort Wayne answered him the way you will answer, if you are honest.

Instead of a drop compared with 1948 contributions, the big givers of Fort Wayne increased their contribution. In some cases, the increase was from \$3,000 to \$6,000, and in the case of Meyer Ruchman, who is in a business—scrap iron—now in its doldrums, to say the least, from \$5,000 to \$7,500.

In Louisville, the same fears were expressed. In fact, the big gifts dinner was cancelled at one point because, among other reasons, there was no one who could be counted on to make an increase over 1948. That big gifts meeting was held Thursday night, with General Chairman Henry Morgenthau, Jr., as the principal speaker. The same people who gave \$119,500 in 1948 contributed \$136,570, and NOT ONE GIVER GAVE LESS THAN HE DID IN 1948.

The inference is obvious.

Give the Jewish community of the U. S. the facts and it will act promptly and properly.

Then here are some more facts:

This is from a confidential letter to Morgenthau from Dr. Israel Goldstein, treasurer of the Jewish Agency. None of this vital information

should be confidential:

"... already they are obliged to leave new arrivals on the ships for days," writes Dr. Goldstein.

"As you know, the camps are overfilled. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT IN ANOTHER TWO MONTHS WE SHALL NOT HAVE THE MONEY WITH WHICH TO PROVIDE FOOD TO THE PEOPLE IN THE CAMPS."

Who wants to know more?

What are our hearts made of?

None of us are being hurt by what we give. Sacrifices here and there, yes. But suppose we don't get that new car. Or suppose we're forced to forego a new fur coat, or a long vacation.

"UNLESS THE UNITED JEWISH APPEAL RISES TO HEIGHTS FAR BEYOND THOSE INDICATED, EVEN IN THE RECENTLY IMPROVED RESPONSE, WE MUST FACE CATASTROPHE."

The "we" in that quotation from the same letter from Dr. Goldstein, doesn't mean the Israeli alone. It means you and me, too, for if a debacle falls on Israel, the responsibility cannot be ignored by U. S. Jewry.

It will mean that instead of this being the last big year, we'll have big years for perhaps a decade until Israel can be put on a self-sustaining basis.

There are ways of escaping these responsibilities. The Israeli have refused to take the easy path. Can we do less?

The answer lies in what happened at Fort Wayne and what happened in Louisville where business conditions are no better than elsewhere.

The policy of keeping Israel's doors open for every Jew who wants to come is too crucial to be weighed in dollars and cents.

Take for instance the Jews in Czechoslovakia and other East European countries behind the Iron Curtain.

Last week 1,200 Jews crossed the Czech frontier into Austria by merely taking busses from Bratislava to Vienna. Today 1,000 more Jews are in Bratislava, but now the frontier guards are being redoubled. The 1,000 are stranded.

Tomorrow the means of exit may be cut off. Speed is essential. The Israeli authorities cannot take chances on what Russian leaders may decide next. They must get out all the Jews who want to leave and get them out NOW.

"WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE ARE WE AMERICAN JEWS?" asks Henry Morgenthau.

You will provide the answer.

The Next President Of The ZOA

WITH the convention of the Zionist Organization of America less than three weeks away, an analysis of the present situation involving both the election of new officers and the opposition Committee for Progressive Zionism might clear the air for some constructive thinking.

The election of Daniel Frisch as president seems certain. His ascendancy to that office could be prevented only by a successful drive of the CPZ and at this writing the CPZ seems to be in no position to contest successfully against the administration forces.

The CPZ's heralded district and regional meetings never developed and it even appears doubtful at this point that the group will put up an opposition candidate.

All of this, to The Post, is unfortunate.

If there was to be any chance for a real future for the ZOA, it rested in the involvement of a program destined to take in those elements in the U. S. Jewish community which have never affiliated due in part at least to the antiquated membership policies of the ZOA.

Neither Daniel Frisch or any other ZOA administration spokesman has any such plan. Although such a program was intrinsic in the platform of the CPZ, that organization also failed to evolve a program to do the job that

must be done if the ZOA is not to go the way of all the other national Jewish organizations in the past 10 years.

Perhaps Simon Rifkind's committee will come forth with a new program which might renew the energies of U. S. Zionists and turn them to constructive achievements in the U. S. Jewish community. But a year has passed since formation of that committee and vital time has been lost because the ZOA administration never realized what was going on.

The 1948 ZOA convention in Pittsburgh was one of the most interesting in years. The 1949 convention in New York may be one of the duller in years. Yet Zionism finds itself in a crisis in the United States. Membership is off; interest has waned, and faced with an entirely new problem, the leadership at the moment has absolutely no plan whatever.

If Mr. Frisch is elected, he will face a situation aggravated by administration inertia. So far he has given little indication that he is the man to bring the ZOA successfully through this crucial period of transformation. His activities during the past few years have earned the honor for him which may soon be his but none of these activities have been such as to indicate he understands what May 14, 1948 meant to the ZOA, and the radical change in the American Jewish community in the past few years.

Let's Get Together on American Judaism's Future

THE convocation called by the U. S. backers of Mapai, the dominant labor party in Israel, is all to the good and no one can blame the sponsors for trying to do an educational job for their own group.

But this action is merely part of the pattern of the past ten and 20 years. It is about time that in addition to the Reform Rabbinate holding a conference, or the American Jewish Congress, or the American Jewish Committee, that a conclave be called of all Jews interested in the Jewish group.

Rabbi Barnett Brickner of Cleveland presented the idea several months ago of calling together the best minds to grapple with the problem of the evolving American Jewish community.

The proper convenor of such a meeting is the National Jewish Post but unfortunately this paper doesn't have the necessary finances or manpower. But several national Jewish organizations could very properly get behind such a meeting and thereby effect a significant advance.

Letters should be brief and to the point, and written on one side of the page only.

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Jewish Communist Explains Logic Of Being Pro-Israel, Anti-Zionist

Editor, National Jewish Post: The NJP (April 29) fell victim to the obscene and dirty campaign being carried on in many American and American Jewish newspapers against the Soviet Union when it unwittingly reprinted from the "New York Times," a story entitled, "Soviet Press Turns Openly Anti-Semitic." The article states that one Soviet publication has been "marked by the use of hooked noses" on the figures. Further, that in a cartoon in the magazine "Crocodile," the name "Lippman" which The Times said is usually considered Jewish in the Soviet Union, was connected with the term "Zhid," a derisive Russian term for Jews by Russian speaking anti-Semites.

But the "New York Times" of April 26th, in an obscure paragraph on page 23 admitted that, "that the word 'Zhid' as used in the cartoon is the Russian translation for the last name of Andre Gide, French author whose first name also appears in the cartoon." So says the New York Times. But this newspaper which unabashedly boasts that it carries "all the news fit to print," did not see fit to inform its readers that the name "Lippman" referred to Walter Lippman, the writer, in company with other anti-Soviet writers, Somerset Maugham, Andre Malraux, Jean-Paul Sartre, and Andre Gide. Nor did it point out that the main character in the cartoon was not anti-Semitic but a caricature of a writer with the baggage of a number of reactionary writers. I hope that the Post in its next issue will correct this foul slander.

But this is only a small incident in the campaign of slander and vilification of the Soviet Union in order to whip up a war hysteria. The Soviet Union, the popular democracies of Eastern Europe, and the Communists in the United States are being accused of "changing their line towards Zionism," of "opposing the state of Israel," that the Jews in Eastern Europe "are being persecuted just as they were under Hitler," that Jewish writers in the Soviet Union are being purged, that the Soviet Union "now officially sponsors anti-Semitism," etc.

American Communists are accused of changing their line, that they are now opposed to Zionism and Israel. In the first place, the Communists have always been

opposed to Zionism. We regard Zionism as a political movement with the aim of setting up a Jewish state. The Communists have and will continue to support Israel's fight for its independence but unlike the Zionists, we do not believe that this by itself will solve the problems of the Jewish people everywhere. Nor has the establishment of the Jewish state itself solved the political, social, and economic problems of the Jews living there. That will have to be decided there by themselves. Dr. Herzl, the father of Zionism stated, "The Jewish question exists wherever Jews live in perceptible numbers. Where it does not exist, it is carried by the Jews in the course of their migrations

... Our presence produces persecution." And he sees as the solution, the establishment of a Jewish state. From this it follows that the Diaspora is doomed to extinction for only in a Jewish state could the Jews survive.

Dr. Chaim Weizmann stated in 1946, "... one fundamental cause of anti-Semitism is that the Jew exists. We seem to carry the germ of anti-Semitism in our bags wherever we go." This reactionary idealistic "analysis" of anti-Semitism covers up and blurs the real nature and cause of it, which is systemically fostered and used by Big Business to divide and weaken the people; That anti-Semitism can only be wiped out by transforming the social and economic bases which nurture and bred it, and that this can be accomplished only by the modern working class; whose historical role it is to eliminate all exploitation poverty, and racial and religious oppression. This can be done only with the support of all persecuted groups, including the Jews. There is no other way.

In the second place, one can be anti-Zionist and pro-Israel. The important role of the Soviet Union in the victory of Israel is too well-known to detail. But the victory of the heroic young men and women of Israel could not have been achieved without the consistent support of the Soviet Union, the East European democracies, and all democratic forces all over the world. Millions of Jews who are not Zionists supported Israel, and millions of Americans who supported Israel are not Jews.

American communists are now

said to be opposed to Israel. What is there to this accusation? The facts are that American communists criticized the Israeli government for endangering its conditions by accepting the \$100,000,000 loan from American imperialism with the onerous conditions attached to it. For instance, Israel may not use any of the loan to develop the Negev. But Dr. Moses Sneh, leader of the United Workers Party which received one-sixth of the vote in the recent elections, had this to say of the loan. "We warn the Israeli government; do not cross the threshold of subjugation to American imperialism. We have just freed ourselves from British imperialism."

The Transjordan Armistice is cited as another "case" of American communists opposing Israel. But the terms of this armistice provide for Transjordan occupying the Arab part of Palestine, and thus allowing it to become a British puppet.

But the basest calumnies are reserved for the Soviet Union. This land where anti-Semitism is a crime, where it has been virtually wiped out, where full social, economic, and political equality has been realized by the Jews, where the Jewish Autonomous Republic is in existence, where five ministers of the cabinet are Jews, and where the proportion of Jewish engineers, scientists, doctors, government officials, artists, and writers is greater than the average for the rest of the population, where the Jewish workers and farmers are opening up a new life—this Socialist country is attacked as anti-Semitic. Surely some people look at the world and see reality by standing on their heads. And the countries of Eastern Europe which are striving to wipe out the legacy of anti-Semitism they have inherited, and are giving every encouragement to Jewish schools, theatres, where anti-Semitism has been made a crime by law—these countries also are being slandered as anti-Semitic.

We, as Jews need to struggle to prevent the rebirth of Nazism, the freeing of Nazi murderers by the U.S. Government, and the drive of the monopolies to impose fascism in the U.S. The Communist Party of the USA is on trial for its beliefs and political theories. If it is outlawed, the Jews will be in mortal danger just as they were in Hitler Germany when the CP was outlawed there. Where are those Jewish leaders who should be shouting about this trial? Do the Jewish people think we can fare better under American fascism than we did under German fascism? Will we as Jews not suffer from a new war? The correct answer to these questions has to be found quickly or we and the rest of the American people will pay a terrible price for the lesson.

The Soviet Union recently supported the bid of Israel for membership in the United Nations. The United States, which can speak in a thunderous voice when it wants to, sat silent while Britain opposed it. There is an old saying, "Gentlemen, do not spit into the well after you have drunk from it; you may want to drink from it again."

BEN COHEN
Chairman,
Communist Party
Of Indianapolis

Twenty-Third Psalm

(Reduced to the level of American Judaism)

by

Lillian Reznick Ott

The Rabbi is my shepherd; what more can I want?
He maketh for me greener pastures;
He leadeth me like a horse to water.
He negates my soul;
He guideth me in strange paths for his 'Big Name' sake.
Yea, though American Judaism is disintegrating
In the valley of the shadow of death,
I need fear no evil,
So thou assurest me;
Thy piety and thy leadership comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me to feast my enemies;
Thou has befuddled my head with inanities;
My confusion runneth over.
Surely thy charm and good-fellowship
Shall sustain my spiritual life;
And I shall no longer expect anything from the Rabbi,
Ever.

RABBI HONIG SAYS NO MERCHANTS CLOSED STORES ON GOOD FRIDAY

Editor, National Jewish Post:

I regret that you were so inaccurate in reporting the facts as you derived them from my article in the Huntington Jewish Center Bulletin re the activity of the local Catholic churches to have all merchants including those of the Jewish faith to close for three hours on Good Friday.

If you had read the Bulletin more carefully you would have noticed that the Jewish merchants reacted intelligently after they were properly alerted to the principles involved. Your headline "Rabbi Reports Jewish Merchants Closed Stores on Good Friday" is, therefore, erroneous. The

facts are that none of the Jewish merchants closed their stores, despite their earlier acquiescence to the un-American request of the Catholic Church.

The purpose of my article was not to upbraid the local Jewish tradesmen for closing, of which they were not guilty, but for even giving token approval at first to the un-American tactics of the Church. My admonition to the Jewish merchants was summed up in the last sentence of the article: "While you think in terms of PRINCIPAL never omit thoughts of PRINCIPLE."

RABBI JAMES J. HONIG
Huntington Station

Rabbi Says NJP Missed Major Story

Editor, National Jewish Post:

A history-making event took place in Alexandria on April 18 and 19, when Dr. Sheldon H. Blank, of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, conducted Institutes on Judaism for the Clergy and for the Jews. An Institute for the Jews in connection with an Institute for the Clergy, on successive days, is believed to be the first experiment of its nature in American Jewish history.

The 2-day program was featured in the April issue of our Temple bulletin which you, no doubt, received, since you are on our mailing list. I am very much surprised, therefore, that you failed to comment upon the far-reaching significance of this epoch-making event. I am taking the liberty of sending you copies of the 2-day program. I fully agree that "a full-scale and

intelligent program for adult Jewish education in the U. S. would sweep the country today" (NJP April 22), and am convinced that Institutes on Judaism for Jews can bring order out of the chaos which characterizes present-day American Jewish communal life. Replying to your question "Who will sponsor it?" allow me to advise that the local Jewish Welfare Federation subsidized the 2-day program. Last year the Federation defrayed all the expenses for the first Annual Institute on Judaism for the Clergy.

An Editor and Publisher "a little more alert" (to use your own words—NJP April 22), would have recognized the importance and value of such an educational program.

RABBI
MORDECAI M. THURMAN
Alexandria, La.

SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL OFFICIAL SAYS NJP STORY ON EXCHANGE DISTORTED

Editor, National Jewish Post: I want to call your attention to the article and editorial published in last week's issue of your paper.

Instead of publishing the complete statement as released by Dr. Robert Gordis, President of the Synagogue Council of America, you excerpted the material contained therein. Then upon the excerpts which you used, you based an editorial which did in no way give the complete and true picture as the statement did portray.

RABBI H. E. L. FREUND
Executive Director
Synagogue Council of America

Ed. Note: The Post disagrees, briefly, on three counts: 1. We do not feel it necessary, in terms of our publication responsibilities, to print the complete text of every statement on which editor

G. M. Cohen writes an editorial, or on which a staff member writes a news story; 2. Rabbi Freund is correct if, in reference to the NJP news story, he means that this story was a summary of the Gordis statement; he is incorrect in stating that Editor Cohen based his editorial on the news story; the editorial was based on the Gordis statement and written before the news story was prepared; 3. the editorial was not meant to give "the complete and true picture"; it was designed to be an editorial comment on the inferential support given by the Synagogue Council to unofficial Israeli suggestions for an exchange of Arab refugees and Jews in Moslem lands. The news story was designed to give the picture and we hope that it did. B.G.

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Jews In Sports

HANK GREENBERG LEARNS HE'S NOT AS YOUNG AS HE USED TO BE

By HASKELL COHEN

HANK GREENBERG, vice prexy of the Cleveland Indians, is still an active field man. Hankus has been working with would-be Cleveland stars of the future. After watching his youngsters go through their paces Greenberg muttered to several news papermen that the kids today just don't have the drive that motivated Hank when he was first starting in as a green youngster. Hank feels that the kids want everything on a platter. They just don't want to work for their jobs if it means going up the ladder through the various rungs of minor league baseball.

After watching a youngster hurl batting practice for quite a while in one of the Cleveland Florida training camps, Greenberg rumbled out to the mound and growled, "Here, let me show you how to pitch that apple, you're doing everything wrong." So saying, Hankus wound up and hurled the first pitch plateward. The batter cranked up and plastered the ball a mile over the centerfielder's head. Greenberg is now staying closer to the front office.

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HENRY WITTENBERG, Olympic light heavyweight wrestling champ, who receives the Bar Kochba Award as Jewish Athlete of the Year, will be guest of honor at City College's Fourth Annual All-Sport dinner, at the Hotel Astor, May 18.

Wittenberg will share honors with more than 125 members of CCNY's varsity teams. A member of the wrestling team at City College where he first learned the sport, Wittenberg has become the leading amateur wrestler in the world. His feat at the 14th Olympiad in winning the gold medal in the 191 pound class

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was high point of a career that so far has seen him win a total of seven National AAU senior wrestling titles since 1940, more than any other man has ever done.

Henry, who has never been beaten in his more than 350 bouts since leaving college, graduated from CCNY in 1940. A member of his Dickinson, N. J. high school chess team, Wittenberg tried out for chess and swimming teams at City College. He switched to wrestling when Coach Joe Saporita told the 135-pound freshman that wrestling would improve his swimming form.

Twice, in 1946 and 1948, he finished fourth in the nationwide balloting for the AAU's Sullivan Award, given annually to the amateur athlete who has done the most to advance the cause of good sportsmanship.

A sergeant in the Police Department of New York, he competes for the West Side YMCA and the Police Sports Association. A member of the force since 1941, he has been cited for bravery twice; once for capturing two armed robbers with his bare hands.

A veteran of two years in the Navy during the war, 'Hank' taught public school briefly, after receiving his M.A. from Columbia. He is the fourth City College sports figure to be so honored since the first All-Sports dinner in 1946. The affair is the college's way of thanking its varsity athletes who have represented the school in competition during the war.

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THE word is out that Borscht Circuit Hotel owners have cut their entertainment budgets 15 to 30 per cent. The accent will be more and more on basketball as entertainment for the guests. Some of the bigger hotels are rumored to be lining up the best material available in the East. Others are even going into the mid-west for talent. Some of the names who will appear in Catskill Mountain hoop contests this summer will amaze the patrons. It seems that the kosher cooking doesn't hurt the boys. Ed Macauley, All-American at St. Louis U., this past season, played in the Catskills last summer and recommends it highly to college kids who are anxious to make a buck during the summer months.

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WITH only two weeks of the major league season gone the wolves at Ebbets Field have gotten on rookie Cal Abrams so fiercely that Manager

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Burt Shotton has been forced to bench the Jewish patrol man. Shotton says that if Abrams cannot play regularly he will be farmed to the minors. He is too young to rusticate on the Dodger bench.

Brande President BB Bowling Ass'n.

CHICAGO (NJP) — Lester Braude of Chicago took office this week as the new president of the National B'nai B'rith Bowling Association, succeeding Lou Perlin of Louisville, Ky.

Other officers named at the annual spring meeting of the association board were: Dr. Joseph Robbins, Cleveland, first vice president; Al Butwinick, St. Paul, second vice president; Ben Cohen, St. Louis, third vice president; Herman Zimmerman, Detroit, treasurer, and Maurice Marenberg, Toledo, executive secretary. Zimmerman and Marenberg were re-elected.

Braude announced that the number of regional tournaments will be boosted to five over last year's three. No dates were set but all of the tourneys will be held next February and the five winners will battle for honors in a national all-expenses paid bowl-off in a neutral city.

Sites for the 1950 regionals were announced as Columbus, O.; Denver, Colo.; Duluth, Minn.; Omaha, Neb., and Grand Rapids, Mich.

Milwaukee Bay Shore won the 1949 national team title and the individual championship was nailed by Saul Levitan of St. Paul.

Jewish Pitcher Hurls No-Hitter

CHICAGO — (NJP) — Gene Borowitz, star pitcher for the University of Chicago baseball team, tossed a no-hit game last week when Chicago picked up its eighth win of the season by licking Northwestern 3 to 1.

Borowitz didn't let a batter get to first base until the seventh when a Wildcat run came in on two errors and a walk.

Soviet Germans Issue Warrant For Ilse Koch

BERLIN—(JTA) — A warrant for the arrest of Ilse Koch, notorious German war criminal who is due to be released from an American zone prison later this year, has been issued by a court in Weimar, provincial capital of Thuringia, in the Soviet zone, it was reported here by DENA, U.S.-licensed German news service. Simultaneously, the public prosecutor of Thuringia formally filed a request with the American occupation authorities for the extradition of Ilse Koch, the report added.

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Jewish Telegraphic Agency

TEL AVIV—An overall austerity and rationing program designed to combat the high cost of living and to enable the absorption of the hundreds of thousands of immigrants arriving in Israel was this week presented to the Israeli Knesset by Premier David Ben Gurion and Dov Joseph, Minister for Rationing and Supply. A full dress debate on the program will take place in the Knesset later.

At the very moment that the plan was being outlined in the parliament a new demonstration of jobless immigrants was in progress outside the Knesset building. The demonstrators, who arrived in trucks, were completely orderly and made no attempt to enter the Knesset.



The one-year **BEN-GURION** plan, which would go into effect next month if approved by the Knesset, provides for the establishment of standard meals totalling 2,800 calories daily. These meals would be similar to those provided in British homes during 1944 and are considered sufficient for everyday needs. The plan, the details of which were presented by Joseph, calls for the issuance of ration books to all residents between May 15 and June 15.

Joseph told the parliament that the austerity program seeks to provide standard meals, clothing, furniture and household implements—thus effecting economies in manufacture and distribution. Besides establishing ceiling prices on commodities, the government will grant subsidies to hold prices and will free from duty imported products urgently needed by the Israeli economy.

On the other hand, the import program will be under stringent control and a plan to cut down drastically all imports will be presented to the Knesset shortly, Joseph announced.

R. I. JEWISH GROUPS BICKER IN FIGHT AGAINST RELEASE TIME

National Jewish Post

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—A minor Jewish split in the united front of Jewish and Protestant spokesmen against a bill to permit released time programs in public schools marked a hearing this week on the proposal before the state Senate Committee on Education.

Catholic spokesmen favored the bill and the Rev. David J. Coffey, diocesan director of the Confraternity of the Christian Doctrine for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence, testified that the act was sponsored by his department.

Rabbi William G. Braude of Temple Beth El, Providence, speaking on behalf of the Rhode Island Rabbinical Association, read a statement proposing "dismissed time" instead of released time, which he said represented the position of the (Reform) Central Conference of American Rabbis.

Oppose All Forms

Under the dismissed time program, the entire school is dismissed early, with children taking religious instruction attending religious classes in churches or synagogues, while the others are

nounced. Local production will be standardized and the production of luxury goods will be permitted for export purposes only, with luxury imports completely barred. In the enforcement of the strict price control program, all evidences of a black market will be suppressed.

Save Millions Annually

Joseph estimated that the program would save the country some \$50,000,000 next year, with the savings on food alone amounting to about \$4 per person. The government will attempt to cut out inefficient and uneconomical enterprises and will attempt to do away with costly middlemen, overseeing the entire distribution set-up from importer or producer through wholesale and retail outlets. The government will attempt to extend further control over industry by reserving the right to license all sorts of enterprises.

Sketching the broad outlines of the program in an hour-long speech, Ben Gurion vigorously denied that the austerity plan represents an attack on the standard of living, which the government is pledged to maintain, but rather an assault on the high cost of living. He also spoke of the growing problem of unemployment among the immigrants.

Pointing out that this program has been necessitated by the record immigration movement, Ben Gurion categorically rejected any solution of the problem by limiting immigration. He appealed to the Jews abroad to aid the Jewish state in overcoming the gigantic task facing it.

free to do as they wish.

Both forms of religious education were hit by Alex Rumpel, vice president of the Blackstone Valley Jewish Community Council, and the Rev. Richard W. F. Seebode of the Westminster Unitarian Church, Providence. Rev. Seebode said the American Unitarian Association has repeatedly gone on record as opposed to both plans as undemocratic and not working out satisfactorily.

Several non-Catholic church spokesmen warned they would fight the bill during legislation and would work for its repeal if it were passed.

It was learned reliably that the bill will not be reported out of committee because many of the solons regard it as "a hot potato." An informant told The Post that many legislators feel the measure is too controversial and that most of the solons would prefer not to get involved in the struggle that would develop over efforts to pass it.

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BOBBY LEARNS WHAT HILLEL TAUGHT

By DENA WENGER

A N ominous silence hung over the house. Mother going gravely about her household duties, glanced from time to time at the clock. At last it was eleven thirty. With an unhappy sigh she opened the door of Bobby's room.



"You may come out now, Bobby," she said to her five year old son. "It's time to eat lunch and get ready for kindergarten."

It was a none too friendly little boy who rose from the low stool in the far corner of the room.

"You're a mean mommy, and I don't like you, so there!"

"You're not such a nice little Bobby today either, but I still love you," mother answered.

"No you don't; you don't love me a speck. If y'did you wouldn't make me sit in my room."

"Do you remember why you had to come in and sit in your room, Bob?"

"Sure I do; it's all on account of that Tommy Bruchmann. He's just a mean old kid, 'n it's all his fault, 'n I don't like him either; I don't like anybody."

"Do you like yourself today, Bobby?" mother asked gently.

The direct unexpected question stopped the flow of angry words, and belligerent, hostile little Bobby burst suddenly into tears.

Gathering the little boy in her arms, mother carried him from the scene of his punishment into her own room. There in the large comfortable chair, in which many a problem was solved, she cradled the child in her arms until the tears had subsided. Then she spoke.

"Bobby, there's one thing I want you to remember and it's this: Mother will always love you; I might not always approve of the things you do; I might sometimes find it necessary to punish you in order to make you remember right from wrong, but I will always, always love you. Do you know why?"

"Because I'm your mother, and a mother's love is like that. But other people won't like you, no matter what you do. To have the respect and love of others you must first earn it. Now look, Bobby, do you want to grow up to be the kind of a boy only your mother will like or do you want others to like you to?"

"I want everybody to like me, mommy. It's no fun if everybody's mad at you."

"Of course it isn't honey, and everyone will like you if you'll remember this one rule; It isn't a

rule-mommy made up; it was first voiced by a wise man of Israel over two thousands years ago. His name was Hillel and this is what he said: 'That which is hurtful to thee do not to thy neighbor...' That mean's don't do anything to someone else if you wouldn't like it done to your self."

Bobby thought for a moment. "Y'mean it wasn't right for me to push Tommy out of my swing, 'cause I wouldn't like it if he pushed me out of his."

"That's it, Bob. Tommy is your friend, your play mate; you like to ride his new tricycle, he likes to swing on your swing, so you share with each other."

"But, mommy, he wouldn't let me ride his bike this morning. That's why I got mad and pushed him out of my swing. I pushed him hard too."

"I know you did, Bob; I saw you, and you hurt Tommy, too. Try not to carry a grudge, Bobby. It only makes you get all mad inside and that leads to hate. If you don't like a person then you want to quarrel, to fight with him, and that's no fun. Did you enjoy pushing Tommy out of that swing?"

"N-no, 'n he hit me back too, 'n then the fight started... guess it wouldn't have if I'd just let him swing, 'n maybe while he was doing that he would've let me ride his bike. That would be sharing wouldn't it?"

"That would be sharing. Now come on, honey, let me help you get ready for school."

Young Robert was on his mother's mind that whole afternoon. He won't always remember to 'Love thy neighbor as thyself,' and it isn't always the easiest thing to heed the advice of wise old King Solomon; 'A kind answer turneth wrath away.' Yet these truths she must teach him, and Bobby being human, with a human's strength and weakness must "go forth and learn."

A short time later a very muddy Bob and an even muddier Tom presented themselves at the back door. Mother's heart sank. "They have been fighting again," she thought. Was all that talk so soon forgotten? Perhaps she was indeed on the wrong track. Perhaps she would have gained more ground by applying the psychology book to the seat of young Robert's trousers! "Bobby," she began, but Bobby was bubbling with excitement and almost in one breath he told his mother: "... 'n so on the way home I caught up with Tommy, 'nd there he was jumping in a puddle... 'go away, Bobby,' he said, 'this is my puddle 'n you can't jump in it; 'so I remembered what you said, Mommy, and I didn't get mad. I just jumped into another puddle—a great big one, 'n I

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moved over 'n said, 'look, Tommy, this one is bigger than yours, 'n you can jump in it with me if you want to. 'n you know what? Tommy forgot about bein' mad at me, 'n we both jumped up and down, and that's sharing isn't it, Mommy?"

Bobby's mother smiled a little wanly. "Yes, Bobby," she said, "I guess that too is sharing."

Things to Think About

The golden rule: Do unto others as you would have others do unto you. Have you ever thought what a wonderful world this would be if everyone tried to abide by that one simple saying. D.W.

Fund For Danielle

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Denver Temple Fetes 75th Year

DENVER — (NJP) — Temple Emanuel of Denver, which was organized two years before Colorado joined the United States, will celebrate its 75th anniversary starting May 8, Rabbi Herbert A. Freidman, its spiritual leader, announced this week.

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On Wednesday of this week, according to our Hebrew calendar, was the first anniversary of the birth of the state of Israel. It hardly seems that one year has passed since our people fought and won complete independence in Palestine, establishing for the first time in 2,000 years the Jewish state of Israel. So much has happened since last year, and just wait and see how much more our people will accomplish there.



The other birthday is sort of tied up to the other. On May 2, 1860, the man who was to work so hard for the establishment of the Jewish state, Theodore Herzl, was born.

A great writer, Herzl, as he grew to manhood, realized that after two thousand years homeless wandering and persecution throughout the world, the Jewish people must and would establish a homeland of their own.

He felt that an end must come to only praying and hoping for the return to the Jewish homeland. Our people must now take action, Herzl said. He organized the first Zionist Congress which met in Switzerland in 1897, where plans were made to organize the Jewish people into the Zionist movement and to discuss plans and ideas as to how the Jewish state could be made a reality.

What happened between 1897 and 1947 is now history for the Jewish people and the rest of the world. It is also a tribute to the energy and devotion and work which Theodore Herzl performed for his people. He

died at the early age of 44 years.

It was interesting that exactly fifty years after Herzl's first Zionist Congress, the United Nations, meeting thousands of miles away from Switzerland, decided to grant the dream for which he worked and died; and to answer the dream and hopes of the centuries. In Lake Success, on November 29, 1947, the establishment of the state of Israel was agreed upon by the nations of the world.

Of all the many wonderful things that Herzl said and wrote, there is one saying which is my particular favorite: Im Tirzu, Ain Zu Agada—"If you really want something, it doesn't have to remain a dream." In other words, if you work for something hard enough and long enough, your dream can come true.

How perfectly right he was. If the Jewish people did not believe in Herzl's saying, maybe we wouldn't have even had that birthday celebration that I wrote of at the beginning of this letter!

Shalom,
HERBERT WEINBERG

Letter Box and Pen Pals

Robert Saul Gordon, 9, 4284 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., writes that he wants to become a member of the Junior Post League. That's fine, Bob, but let us know a little more about yourself by writing us a letter real soon.

Florence Angerman, 10, 96 Bailey Ave., Uniontown, Pa., writes: "I go to the Tree of Light Synagogue. My teacher's name is Joan Bookchin. Our rabbi's name is Irving Rochof. He is very nice, so I think. I get your newspaper every Sunday. I have a hobby of collecting post cards in my spare time. My only ambition is to go to Israel." Thank you for a very nice letter, Florence. I hope that Rabbi Rochof will remember what you wrote when he gets ready to make up your report card. And I certainly hope that some day you will have the opportunity to go to Israel.

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Jewish Frat Pledging Of Negro Hit As Dubious Liberalism

National Jewish Post

CLEVELAND—The action of an all-Jewish fraternity at the University of Wisconsin in pledging a Negro student was criticized this week by a Cleveland rabbi as an example of "tongue-in-cheek" liberalism.

Julius J. Nodel, assistant rabbi at the Temple in Cleveland, questioned the good faith of the members of the Wisconsin chapter of Phi Sigma Delta.

"Why did it (the chapter) pledge a Negro who is a senior student, graduating in June?" Rabbi Nodel asked, in an article in the Jewish REVIEW AND OBSERVER of Cleveland.

"By the time he passes his pledge period and is initiated, he will be ready to leave the campus with hardly any contact with the fraternity," the rabbi said. "If the action was sincerely taken, a Negro freshman should have been pledged—one who, for the next four years, will live at the fraternity house, participate in all of its social activities and actively demonstrate how relationships between persons of different color within a single social unit may be accomplished."

But Rabbi Nodel made it plain he disagreed with the philosophy behind the unprecedented fraternity action.

He argued that the Negro was not Jewish and the fraternity is. Asking why a white Christian was not pledged, Rabbi Nodel said the only apparent reason appeared to be to say in effect to white Christian fraternities: "You have no place for a dark-skinned brother, even though he believes in Christ, while we, who do not accept Christ, do have a place for him in our brotherhood."

Rabbi Nodel objected to that philosophy on the grounds that "as a consistent policy, it is not our place to teach Christianity to Christians."

"A Christian who is dark is no closer to being Jewish than a white Christian," he declared. "If the Negro student is a Jew by religion and of sincere conviction, then without question, there is a place for him in the Jewish fraternity."

Rabbi Nodel also indicated he felt the experience was unlikely to be of any help to the Negro pledge. He said the differences between Negroes and whites were real enough to affect relations in so close a social circle as a fraternity.

He said he also could not understand "why strictly Jewish organizations and institutions must go out of their way to lose their identity."

He said "the Jew who does not feel inferior finds

happiness within his own group. The Negro who does not feel inferior is happy with his. So too with the Christian."

"Each group can run parallel to the other, headed in the same direction," he said. "They need not run in the same groove. For there is bound to be some crowding in that groove."

Rabbi Nodel said he had a suggestion "if the Wisconsin chapter of Phi Sigma Delta really wishes to demonstrate possibilities for inter-racial amity."

He proposed that "it concentrate on educating its members to go out into the world after college with a respect for integrity in business, with an inspired program of eliminating economic disabilities and political inequalities that are practiced against the Negro."

"Let it organize for a program of social justice in education and employment, child welfare and labor; not by wiping out the natural differences that do exist and will always exist between people, but by breaking down the barriers which one group sets up, out of fear and jealousy, to prevent another from enjoying the human right of every person to life, liberty and happiness."

Candidate Heads Committee For Zionists

Hapoel Hamizrachi Spurns Charge FOR Jr. Using Israel Politically

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—A rabbinical spokesman for Hapoel Hamizrachi, the religious labor Zionists, denounced a charge this week that Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., was using his position as head of an Israel Anniversary celebration committee for political purposes.

The charge was made by Abraham Kaplan, campaign manager for Municipal Court Justice Benjamin Shalleck. The judge and young Roosevelt are rival candidates for representative in the 20th Congressional district.

Rabbi Issachar Levin, Chief Rabbi of Camden, N. J., and chairman of the National Council of Hapoel Hamizrachi of America, called the Kaplan charge "a serious error in judgment."

Roosevelt Heads Committee

The Zionist group is sponsoring the Committee for the First Anniversary of the State of Israel, of which Roosevelt is chairman. He is running for the post vacated by the death of Rep. Sol Bloom, on the Liberal and Four Freedoms party ticket.

Kaplan said that the district had been flooded with letters signed by Roosevelt and that May 17 had been chosen for the anniversary celebration because it was the date of the special election in the district.

Rabbi Levin said the executive of Hapoel Hamizrachi decided

last February to hold the celebration at the St. Nicholas arena here May 17 to raise funds for religious colonization in Israel. He pointed out that this was long before Bloom died.

Reason For May 17

He said May 17 was chosen as the date because it was Lag B'Omer, a traditional day of rejoicing by Jews. He said that Roosevelt had accepted the chairmanship last March and that the committee had sent out 30,000 letters to all parts of New York and the United States. He denied any "flooding" of the 20th district.

"Hapoel Hamizrachi will not now, or ever, permit itself to be used as a political football or for political aggrandizement," he said.

Charles Horowitz, Roosevelt's campaign manager, commented that the late President's son had a long record of service to Israel, long before he thought of running for public office.

King Solomon Port Found

TEL AVIV, Israel—The Jewish Palestine Exploration Society reported this week it had located ruins of an ancient city believed to be 2,000 years old and which may have been a port for King Solomon.

Dr. Benjamin Maisler, representing the society, said the find covered some 80 acres near the mouth of the Yarkon River. He said the city's population was about 2,000 and that the city was founded around 1,000 B.C.

He said the tentative findings were substantiated by the fact that the Philistines occupied the coastal stretch of Palestine from Gaza in the south up to Yarkon during the time of the kingdom of David and Solomon.

Maisler said the name of the city was unknown and that it apparently existed only about 250 years. He said it was repeatedly destroyed by fire but rebuilt each time until it was finally razed in about the eighth century B. C.

Maisler said it was possible that the port was used to handle the famous cedars of Lebanon for Solomon's buildings and that Israel's oil and wine left the harbor for overseas sales.

BRITISH JEWRY SPLIT BY FIGHT BETWEEN ORTHODOX AND REFORM

LONDON—(JTA)—A split has occurred in the Jewish community here following a sharp difference of opinion between representatives of the Orthodox and Liberal religious groups within the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

The conflict arose over a resolution which would have empowered the president of the board to appoint marriage registrars for Liberal synagogues, with the cooperation of the authorities of such congregations. The motion was defeated on the grounds that the Board of Deputies charter only recognizes Orthodox Judaism and that therefore marriage registrars may be appointed only by ecclesiastical authorities—the Chief Rabbi and the Beth Din.

The Liberals on the Board walked out of the meeting immediately after the vote, and it is believed that they are planning to leave the organization and establish a separate body of their own. The issue is still not clearly crystallized and the Liberals are expected to abstain in the forthcoming elections for members of the Board.

PHILADELPHIA JCRC HANDED BATTLE OVER KOSHER MEAT

National Jewish Post

PHILADELPHIA—The Philadelphia Jewish Community Relations Council this week inherited the Kosher Meat "hot potato" which has agitated Orthodox Philadelphia Jews for months.

A group of Jewish leaders attended an informal luncheon sponsored by the Philadelphia Jewish TIMES and its publisher, Philip Klein. A resolution was passed urging the JCRC to "assume jurisdiction of this deplorable situation."

David L. Ullman, president of the JCRC, discussed the long battle over control of Kashrut, particularly in connection with high prices of kosher meat, at a meeting of the JCRC board.

Group To Study Fight

The board voted unanimously to name a committee to study possible lines of action and to report at the next board meeting later this month.

The group at the TIMES luncheon issued a statement saying that its members felt that the situation "violates some of the fundamental tenets of Judaism."

"In our opinion, the unexplained high cost of kosher meat and poultry is threatening the effectiveness of Kashrut in this community," the statement said. "It is driving observant housewives to trefe markets."

The statement also criticized as a factor "a lack of organization and unity among the Rabbinate of this community."

Pulpit Wanted

Reform Rabbi with post-graduate degrees and many years experience, draws capacity attendance at services, has excellent radio voice, maintains dignified inter-faith and effective public relations, has one of the finest progressive religious schools in the state, desires to change present pulpit for a larger field of service. Write Dept. MK, National Jewish Post, Box 1633, Indianapolis 6, Ind.

British Jewess Asks Kosher Price Control

LEEDS, England—A delegate to the monthly meeting of the Leeds Jewish Representative Council told the meeting last week that the high prices of Kosher foods had made the recent Passover a very difficult one for Orthodox Jews.

Miss S. Taylor said that if all members of the Jewish community were expected to keep kosher homes during Passover as well as during the rest of the year, the community was obligated to make sure that all foods were available at reasonable prices.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—(NJP)—Rabbi Abraham Z. Kurtz, spiritual advisor at Anshei Polen Synagogue and chief religious advisor to the Rochester Hebrew Dietary Association, died here this week at the age of 70.

Modern Cantor

Young man, fine musician, connected with a Conservative Congregation, wishes to change pulpit. Conduct services with or without choir and organ; instruct choir, congregational singing, prepare Junior Congregation and Post-Bar Mitzvah classes, choral groups from Sisterhood and Men's clubs, supervise all the musical activities in the Hebrew and Sunday Schools. Can prepare Bar Mitzvahs. Write Dept. JP, National Jewish Post.

ST. LOUIS SOCIAL WORKERS DEMONSTRATE FOR MORE PAY

National Jewish Post

ST. LOUIS—Members of the Social Workers union pressed demands this week for union recognition and better pay from Jewish social agencies after staging the first protest demonstrations in the history of St. Louis philanthropies.

Placard-bearing pickets appeared in front of the YMHA last week, then in front of the Jewish Employment and Vocational Service and another demonstration in front of Council House.

Two demonstrations were held later last week, one for the Jewish Child Welfare Agency and one in front of the Jewish Family Service Agency.

Didn't Hurt Services

Members of the union, local 83 of the CIO United Office and Professional Workers, said the demonstrations involved no curtailment of service. They said that the pickets were social workers off duty during the protests.

Efforts continued meanwhile to bring about a meeting between the executive heads of the Jewish welfare agencies and the union.

Mrs. Jane B. Lathan, local 83 president, protested against what she termed a "red herring" in reports that local heads of the affected welfare agencies were reluctant to negotiate with a union suspected of leftist con-

trol.

"We question the motives and ethics of the 'unnamed sources' who suggest that in cities other than St. Louis, members of this union hold unpopular political opinions," she said.

"The alleged political beliefs of two national officers is not the issue in the St. Louis case," she declared. She said the real question at issue was whether it was American to keep paying maintenance workers "as low as \$55 per month in some Jewish agencies" and "how American is it to keep denying collective bargaining rights to the organization which the majority of employees have democratically chosen?"

The Jewish Agency for Palestine is spending about \$9,000 a month for dental care, eye glasses and other special treatment for youth immigrants.

AZEC Hereafter U.S. Zionist Council

NEW YORK — (JTA) — The American Zionist Emergency Council decided to modify its name at a meeting at which representatives of all Zionist parties in the United States were present. The organization will now function under the name, American Zionist Council.

The meeting, which was held under the chairmanship of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, unanimously adopted the report of the Zionist Scope Committee which negotiated with the Jewish Agency executive regarding the further activities of the Council.

The Council will be composed of five representatives from the Zionist Organization of America, five from Hadassah, four from the Mizrahi Organization of America, four from the Labor Zionists, two from the Revisionists, two from Hashomer Hatzair, and two from the Labor Unity Group. A new executive—composed of a chairman, vice-chairman, secretary and treasurer—will be elected by the Council next month.

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